Kohl strikes high-speed unity deal

Reluctant backdown over Polish border

By Ian Murray in Bonn, Anne McElvoy in East Berlin and Mary Dejevsky in Moscow

ethnic Germans in Poland, Herr Kohl won from his Free

Democrat coalition partners

agreement that German reuni-

fication should go ahead by

the swiftest legally possible method - which means Ger-

man unity is now arguably possible almost overnight.

East German Prime Minister,

Herr Hans Modrow, finalized

his Government's terms for

German unity during talks

with Soviet leaders; and

agreed the necessity of respect-

ing the existing East German border with Poland.

Herr Modrow, President

Gorbachov and the Soviet

Prime Minister Mr Nikolai

Ryzhkov also established that

in any discussions affecting its

Earlier, Mr Gorbachov had

iven a warning against any

to change the borders drawn at

the end of the Second World War. "To use German reuni-

fication to reanimate re-vanches plant which be to pursue and irresponsible pol-

icy fraught with very serious

The East German Par-

liament is expected to wel-

come Herr Kohl's statement

session before next week's

he would have been "crim-inally negligent" if he did not

use the opportunity of reuni-

fication to settle the repara-

culated it was better to remove

difficult obstacles to quick

unity than to press ahead with

claims which both endangered

the government and caused

that he had defeated a coup

Defence Minister after planes

fighting broke out in the

The attempted coup was the

second since the last of

In a speech read on Kabul

Radio, President Najibullah

drew from the country in bullah said.

Afghan coup is foiled

after attack on palace

when it sits today for its last cellor's position.

consequences," he said.

voting conservative.

interests and security.

Poland should be represented yesterday's agreement

attempt by a united Germany a meeting of the four Allied

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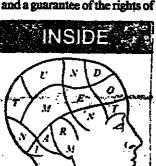
Meanwhile, in Moscow, the

Chancellor Kohl yesterday reluctantly withdrew his insistence that a border treaty between a united Germany and Poland should depend on Polish concessions on war reparations.

The issue had split his coalition Government and strained relations with his allies, but yesterday Herr Kohl's administration reached a compromise to reassure Poland that a united Germany would respect its post-war borders.

A resolution stating that Germany should sign a treaty affirming that Poles' right to live in secure borders "will not now nor in the future be questioned by us Germans" will be debated by the Bonn

Parliament on Thursday. In return for dropping his



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 Today we enter Round Two of The Times Tournament of the Mind. Played over 20 rounds, the Tournament offers the chance to win £5,000 and a computer. The questions, devised and marked by Mensa.

will test your word power, numeracy, logic and general knowledge. See page 13

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Policeman knocked out in poll tax battle

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Protest victim: A policeman lying unconscious after he was punched and kicked outside Bristol Council House yesterday.

Violence as cities set rates

By Staff Reporters

Anti-poli tax demonstrations turned violent yesterday in two big cities as the Prime Minister defended the community charge in the Commons and attacked coun-

cils for overspending. Fifteen people were arrested in Bristol and three officers injured as mounted police clashed with demonstrators outside the Council House.

Missiles were thrown at police, who were also punched and kicked in the worst scenes so far. Police officers drew their batons when around 500 demonstrators tried to storm

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the council chamber. Further scuffles broke out after the Labour-controlled council set a tax of £490.

In Birmingham, demonstrators waving banners burst into the council chamber, where a young Conservative Party researcher was punched to the ground. Councillors threw themselves against the heavy oak doors to try to prevent the mob getting in. There were also rowdy scenes in the public gallery and outside the Town Hall.

In the Commons, Mrs Margaret Thatcher launched a fierce attack on what she called "profligate" councils with "little consideration for

How Militant masterminds the protests

By Ray Clancy and Paul Wilkinson

Militant Tendency is masterminding the disruption of town hall meetings where the poll tax is being set, according to an investigation by The Times. In a carefully orchestrated campaign, supporters of the hard-left Trotskyite group have come to dominate the 1,500 branches of the All Britain Anti-Poll Tax Federation deliberately provoking confrontation

Militant activities, yesterday ack-nowledged the power wielded by

elections. The three parties elski, the Polish President, making up the conservative sought to sum up his nation's Alliance for Germany ex-mood in an interview to be pressed relief yesterday, hav-published by Die Welt today. with police at council meetings. pressed relief yesterday, hav-ing earlier told Herr Kohl that "As a Pole and a European, I Mr Steve Nally, a prominent Militant supporter and secretary of the his hesitation was scaring East am afraid," he said. "The federation, attended two poll tax dem-German voters away from dominent position of a great onstrations yesterday, including the near-riot in Bristol where a policeman power leads it to use it at the On Monday, Herr Kohl said cost of others," The general would have been "crim-said he had been surprised by was kicked and punched unconscious. Mr Tommy Sheridan, chairman of the speed at which the two the All Britain Anti-Poll Tax Federa-Germanies were moving totion, who was recently ousted from wards unity. the Labour Party in Glasgow for his

international misgivings. He emerged from a three-and-a-

half-hour crisis meeting of the

coalition leadership yesterday

morning to announce that the

The Bundestag debate to

rowdy, with the opposition Social Democrats (SPD) spoil-

ing for a fight. Herr Hans-Jochen Vogel, the party

leader, has already said that

the Chancellor's attitude is "a

As to how unification is to

proceed legally, Herr Vogel

said this was a matter for the

East Germans alone to decide.

The coalition's approval of the

quick route is bound to come

under attack and some FDP

members will be unhappy at

being forced to accept it by

between the two Germanies

on reunification goes ahead on

Friday, followed next week by

powers - Britain, France, the

United States and the Soviet

Meanwhile, Herr Kohl is to

Union - to review what is

explain the present position -

probably in writing - to Mr Tadeusz Mazowiecki, the Pol-

ish Prime Minister, who has been co-ordinating internat-

ional protests at the Chan-

General Wojciech Jaruz-

The first round of talks

FDP had been sorted out.

Last night, Poland gave a cautious welcome Herr Kohl's tions and cultural questions statement. "It is undoubtedly Since then - after two long meetings with Herr Hans- a step concordant with our Dietrich Genscher, the For-eign Minister and the FDP's spokesman said, "but it is not yet what Prime Minister Mazmost prominent leader - the owiecki proposed." Chancellor must have cal-

The Socialist group in the European Parliament is to seek an emergency debate on the West German position in Strasbourg next week.

conference in Islamabad, but

Members know we are Militantsupporters," he said, "but this has not prevented them from joining and taking part in demonstrations.

"Many protesters are life-long Tory voters who are motivated by their hatred of the poll tax."

Mr Richard Venton, Merseyside Militant spokesman, admitted: "Militant has undoubtedly played a large part'in organizing the anti-poll tax

One political analyst said: "Mr Neil Kinnock managed to purge about 100 Militants from the Labour Party and as a result they were feeling a bit depressed. Suddenly in Scotland they latched on to the non-payment call and realized there was an opportunity to dominate a campaign and use it to their own ends."

They dominate without being too obvious. For example the secretary of a committee will be a Militant



Campaign: Militant's current issue. supporter; that way they cannot be accused of putting Militants at the

Mr Nally writes for Militant and has devoted all his time to the antipoll tax campaign. He was at the violent Haringey meeting on Monday

night where stones were thrown at the

staged a sit-down protest outside. This meeting was noisy because it was a demonstration of anger," he claimed. "We feel it is legitimate that people should be allowed to express

Although Militant admits it is the force behind the federation, it plays down its influence over those who join the local groups and take part in protests. Mr David Griffiths, speaking from the federation's Coventry office, which is headquarters for the West Midlands anti-poll tax campaign, said: "In Scotland and in the national leadership of the federation, Militants have been guiding lights, but it is way beyond that now. It is becoming what we said it would be; it is becoming an

Mr Griffiths said he had become a Militant supporter recently and was still a supporter of the Labour Continued on page 22, col 2

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MPs urge fraud inquiry into miners' links with Gadaffi

By Tim Jones, Richard Ford and Jamie Dettmer

tor of Public Prosecutions was Telecommunications and demanded yesterday into alle- Plumbing Union (EETPU), gations of fraud and embezziement in financial links between the National Union of Mineworkers (NUM) and Colonel Gadaffi of Libya. Sir Patrick Mayhew, Attor-

By Daniel Treisman and Our Foreign Staff President Najibullah of Shanawaz Tanai, the Defence ney General, was urged by MPs to refer the affair to the Afghanistan said last night Minister, in collaboration that he had defeated a coup with the Mujahidin resistance DPP as Mr Neil Kinnnock attempt led by the country's leader Gulbuddin Hekmatyar, also demanded a full public who leads the Fundamentalist inquiry into the controversy reportedly attacked the pres-Hezb-i-Islami party. idential palace and heavy "Shanawaz Tanai surrounding the use of miners' "Shanawaz Tanai has restrike funds during the yearbelled and is in hiding. I long pit dispute.

appeal to citizens and soldiers Such an inquiry would need to capture him dead or alive to examine the role of the and take him back to the Paris-based International Mi-100,000 Soviet troops with- Defence Ministry," Mr Najiners Organization, which was set up by Mr Arthur Scargill, president of the NUM, in the Mr. Hekmatyar refused to dying days of the strike, accorconfirm or deny the allegading to moderate pit leaders. tions at a hastily-called press

Further pressure on Mr Scargill came from Mr Eric

An investigation by the Direc- of the Electricial, Electronic, learnt yesterday that tens of who called on unions to find out what had happened to the money which they donated to help the 1984-5 strike. It was

> Of course, I could always go to the GADAFFI BUILDING SOCIETY ...

thousands of pounds, paid into trust funds to aid miners during the year-long strike, were never accounted for. No receipts or documents were kept to record them.

Confusion over the funds, established to help miners and their families survive for a year without pay, deepened when it was disclosed yesterday that three Labour MPs had refused to co-operate with

Miners' fund doubt...

Mr Michael Arnold, the official receiver of the NUM's sequestrated assets. The three Sheffield MPs.

Mr William Michie, Mr Richard Caborn and Mr David Blunkett, a member of Lab-Continued on page 22, col 4

our's national executive, who was elected to Parliament in 1987, were all trustees of the

ha, ha. you've got to laugh if you're standing in queues at your bank, haven't you?

Lost Turner watercolour may set auction record

By Sarah Jane Checkland Art Market Correspondent

A lost picture by Turner that for 130 years languished undetected and in peril from the sun's rays on the walls of a Swedish summer house could break the world record of £400,000 for a watercolour by the British artist at Sotheby's tomorrow week.

The picture shows Hampton Court Palace bathed in sunlight and includes such charming foreground details as a clergyman, a boy and a woman fishing from a punt, and ducks pecking at

The painting was used as the basis for one of the images in the famous Picturesque Views in England and Wales" series of engravings, a col-



laboration between the artist and the Great Yarmouth and Stonehenge. engraver Charles Heath.

Turner was paid between 60 and 70 guineas for each watercolour. The Hampton Court engraving was published in 1829, along with views of

The painting itself was sold to a Mr Dickson at Christie's in May 1859, then passed by descent to its present

Experts at Sotheby's are amazed at lodged until March 20.

its excellent condition, given the conditions in which it has been kept. Also yesterday, Sir Kit McMahon, chairman of Midland Bank, demonstrated his private support for British contemporary artists by subscribing to the flotation of the Angela Flowers Gallery. British bank man-agers are notoriously loath to accept art as investment or collateral.

Sir Kit is one of 94 people, including such artists from the gallery as Peter Howson and Patrick Hughes, and the gallery's local postman, who have subscribed to its Business Expansion Scheme, taking the funds well beyond the minimum £300,000 that was needed by yesterday. Applications for further shares can be

said calm had been preserved across the country. He said the he said: "We support what Continued on page 22, col 6 Hammond, general secretary (3/man arrack had been led by General

'Open skies' for Scottish airports

NEWS ROUNDUP

Glasgow and Edinburgh airports received the go-ahead yesterday to compete for direct services to North America, ending a monopoly on intercontinental flights held by

Prestwick Airport (Kerry Gill writes). The announcement of an "open skies" policy was made by Mr Cecil Parkinson, Secretary of State for Transport, in a written answer to the House of Commons. The long-awaited decision has been widely welcomed by business and commexcial interests in Scotland, but condemned by the pro-Prestwick lobby led by Mr George Younger, Conservative MP for Ayr, and the former Secretary of State for Defence.
Glasgow will now effectively become Scotland's internat-

ional gateway airport.

Wages councils stay

The Government confirmed yesterday that it had backed down over plans to abolish wages councils, which set minimum rates of pay for 2,500,000 workers. In a written parliamentary answer, Mr Michael Howard, Secretary of State for Employment, said: "I have decided not to proceed with the abolition of the councils at present. However, the consultation exercise showed that our concern about their adverse effects is widely shared by employers."

£12m museums fund

Mr Richard Luce, Minister for the Arts, yesterday announced a £24 million step in his "Millennium Initiative to bring Britain's museums to "tip-top condition" by 2000 (Simon Tait writes). The Wolfson charities, formed from the Great Universal Stores fortune, and the Office of Arts and Libraries are to contribute half each to a fund worth £12 million to help museums and galleries with improvements.

Union ballots GPs

Family doctors are to be balloted on taking industrial action over their new performance-related contract, which comes into effect next month (Jill Sherman writes). The Medical Practitioners' Union is sending ballot papers to its 1,200 GP members (one in 27 of all GPs) this week asking if they would be prepared to take industrial action short of a strike Sanctions may include a boycott of the three-year annual check-ups GPs will be expected to carry.

IRA decision delayed

Judgement was reserved yesterday in the appeal by the IRA gunman William Quinn against his life sentence for killing a young policeman 15 years ago in London. Quinn, aged 42, claims that irregularities in the identification procedure invalidated his conviction at the Central Criminal Court two years ago. In October 1986, after a five-year legal battle, Quinn became the first IRA terrorist to be extradited from

Council's hot lines

Liverpool council chiefs launched an investigation yesterday into who was responsible for a £4,000 telephone bill run up on chatlines. All the calls were made from rooms allocated to Labour councillors in the city's municipal headquarters. The council's Labour leader, Mr Keva Coombes, said: "Bearing in mind the times involved, it is unlikely to be councillors." The council is considering whether to call in the police.

Thousands of fish and other river animals were killed yesterday when dangerous toxic chemicals leaked into a Thames tributary after a fire at a timber treatment works at

Woking, Surrey. Thames Water closed two main raw water intakes to prevent any pollution of drinking water.

A tank containing solvent-based wood preservative was damaged by a fire at Harcros Timber and Treatment Ltd. of Woking, in the

early hours of yesterday morning. The substance, Vacsol, containing tributyltin oxide (TBTO) and lindane, reached the river. Both are on

gerous chemicals. They entered the Bourne at Horsell Common and by last night had reached Woodham. near Weybridge.

The Government is likely to

announce new restrictions on the use of TBTO, sources disclosed; lindane is also under review. A spokesman for the Thames region of the National Rivers Au-

thority (NRA) described the pollution as "serious".

"Drainage from the site was blocked off and tankers were deployed immediately to suck the wood preservative out of the drainage system and prevent any more of the substance from reaching the river," the spokesman said. "The water companies which rely on the Thames for supply have been

Samples have been taken and sent

for analysis. NRA biologists and fishery staff are monitoring the effects of pollu-tion on wildlife in the river. All farms and nurseries downstream have been alerted with the help of local police.

A team of pollution control staff at Guildford are monitoring the progress as the substance moves

fish and some invertebrates dying in the Bourne as a result of the incident," the spokesman said.

Friends of the Earth gave a warning of serious long-term effects to all fish and other animal life connected with the river.

Mr Andrew Lees, water pollution campaigner, said: "In terms of environmental hazards the greatest concern must be in relation to TBTO. It is one of the most dangerous chemicals known. We have been pressing the Government to ban all uses of it since 1987."

Thames Water said it had closed its two raw water intakes at Walton "We have reports of thousands of on Thames and Hampton. "Our

River life dies after Thames tributary is polluted danger of a shortage. We will not take water in again until we are absolutely sure that it is safe.

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Harcros Timber refused to comment but Mr David Law, of Hickson Timber Products of Castleford West Yorkshire, which manufactures the preservative, said the product was cleared by the Health and Safety Executive.

Thousands of dead scabinde drenched in oil were washed up along the Dutch coast during recent storms, conscrvationists said yes. terday. They believe the oil came from ships emptying tanks in the North Sca.

Programme to end sludge dumping 'not good enough

From Michael McCarthy **Environment Correspo** The Hague

Britain's new programme to end the dumping of sewage sludge at sea is not good enough, Mrs Hanja Mai-Weggen, the Dutch Transport Minister, said last night.

On the eve of the Third North Sea Conference, of which she is host, Mrs Mai-Weggen said she was "very unhappy" with the date of 1998 which Mr Chris Patten, Secretary of State for the Environment, announced on Monday as the deadline for ending sludge dumping.

Mr Patten said the practice, which Britain alone of the North Sea Conference states continues, would be phased out at a cost of £180 to £200 million. After a meeting with Mr Patten last night, she said the date "would be criticized very much".

The other member states have called for sludge dump-ing to be phased out by 1995, but Mr Patten said on Monday he did not believe the trying to make the best of it."

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difference in dates would cause a problem. Mrs Mai-Weggen said: "Maybe tomorrow he will come with some more positive answer on this

Referring to the announcement two weeks ago that Britain would end industrial waste dumping in the North Sea by 1993 - three years after the deadline - she said: "Only recently the last North Sea country to dump industrial waste offshore announced a halt as from 1993. This is too late, but it is a great step in the right direction.

Asked if she thought Britain had a worse record on the environment than anyone else, she said: "We know the enviroumental quality of the United Kingdom started very late, later than many of the countries of the European Community. But I think at this moment there is a very good Minister of the Environment

Informal Downing St question time



Mrs Thatcher meeting pupils from Perse Junior Girls School, Cambridge, yesterday as she left for the House of Con

Gould distances Labour from town hall violence

By Sheila Gunn Political Reporter

Mr Bryan Gould, the shadow environment secretary, distanced the Labour Party yesterday from a spate of violent attacks in town halls against the community charge.

In the wake of disruptions at Haringey and Nottingham.

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The wake of disruptions are the way of the wake of disruptions at Haringey and Nottingham. council chambers, he made clear the party unreservedly condemned violence, maintaining its commitment to "peaceful protests" aimed at defeating the Tories' poll tax in council and general elections. Criticizing the attacks, Mr Gould said: "We do not think

do not have anything to do with people who batten on to these protests." However, he said protests were "understandable" where

tempers were running high. He praised the series of spontaneous demonstrations, as in Plymouth, where people who had not previously been politically active took to the streets in protest against the charge. At the launch of the second

stage of Labour's anti-poll tax campaign, Mr Gould said: "There is a rising tide of anger in the country over the poll tax bills and I think people are looking for a means of expressing their protests." New advertisements will go

out today urging people to sign a petition for scrapping "this cruel and unnecessary tax". He admitted plans for a national demonstration, to coincide with the arrival of poll tax bills, had been abandoned because "we are short of money". He denied that it was because of fears of violence.

Mr David Blunkett, Labour's local government spokesman, issued a list of 50 Conservative-controlled district councils which had exceeded

government poll tax targets. Mr Blunkett said: "It lays to rest once and for all the myth would overshoot the Government's fairytale estimates.

where poll tax levels have been finalized, the average is £91 above the Government's own figures. It is clear that the

"In those Tory councils

One young woman chose the chilly House of Lords car park The party has approved a campaign for 100 volunteers to refuse to pay the tax to vesterday to mount her pollchallenge the Government's tax protest - by stripping off. She took off her coat in front of right to levy it in Wales, where astonished peers and police the Tories hold only seven of and posed for television the 38 constituencies. • The Prime Minister and other ministers yesterday

cuffs which she slotted on to the barrier. Police Constable Len Drake, manning the police box at the entrance to the peers' car park, acted swiftly. "I put her coat back on over one arm and then she was taken off to the police room." Scotland Yard said later she was arrested for being "drunk and disorderly".

Government did deliberately underestimate the cost of local services by about £3 billion." He said offers by the Duke of Westminster and Lord Bath to use financial gains from the poll tax to help their staff showed the tax "was creating a

new fendalism." ● Plaid Cymru will distribute 100,000 letters inviting people to overload administrators with poll tax questions.

Mr Peter Keelan, the party's campaign co-ordinator said: We are adapting Mrs Thatcher's advice to the people of eastern Europe that they should exercise their democratic rights to the full. Local

councils have a legal obliga-

ers and it is the Conservative ones which look after their constituents. Mrs Thatcher was responding at question time to a warning from Mr Jerry Hayes,

went on the offensive over the

community charge by

contrasting the attitudes of

Questioned in the Com-

mons she launched a fierce

attack on "profligate" coun-

cils, and insisted that the

would make con

She said: "Those who are

coming in with very high

community charges are doing

so because their expenditure is

profligate and they have little

consideration for the pockets

that it is the Labour authori-

ties which are the high spend-

"The lesson will be learnt

councils to spending.

more accountable.

of their constituents.

Conservative MP for Harlow. Mr Hayes said that despite this, people would come to realize that the charge was there to protect them against iding councils. Parliament, page 11

Conservative councils where poll tax is more than £100 over government estimates

f	Govt target (£)	Actual poli Tax (£)	Overshoot (£)
Aylesbury Vale	242	350	+108
Basingstoke	202	322	
Blackbool	261	384	+120
East Hamoshire	242	375	+123 ·
Fylde	270		+133
Guildford	281	387	+117
Havant	236	397	+116
Luton	295	339	+103
Mendip	233	403	+108
Mid Bedfordshire	246	360	+114
Milton Keynes	289	397	+108
Dhonordh	269	398	+129
Plymouth No.	226	350	+124
Ribble Valley	249	355	+106
St Edmundsbury	224	330	+106
S Bedfordshire	326	393	+67
Spelthorne	265	368	+103
Suffolk Coastal	281	384	+103
Windsor/Maidenhead	301	461	+160
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Ford to overhaul 'blue book'

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From Kevin Eason Motoring Correspondent

Ford is to move to sweep away demarcation lines in its 21 British factories in an effort to improve industrial relations and prevent strikes.

Mr Lindsey Halstead, chairman of Ford of Europe, disclosed he would seek unant talks with unions in the wake of the seven-week wildcat strike that had cost his company nearly £450 million in lost output from the Halewood plant on Merseyside.

it will mean an overh traditional working practices for the company's 32,000 manual workers and a substantial rewriting of the "blue book", which enshrines the demarcation lines between skilled and unskilled workers.

The blue book was the main weapon used by Mr Ron Todd, leader of the the transport workers, in refusing to allow a single-union representation at a planned electronics plant at Dundee. The refusal to bend the rules of the

blue book and the resulting row led Ford to drop its proposals for the £40 million plant in Britain. Ford's determination also

rules out the prospect of allowing the company's workforce to join the campaign for a shorter working week. Mr Halstead, speaking at the Geneva Motor Show,

warned canions they would have to accept fundamental changes in working practices if the business was to survive the threat from Japanese imports and cars made at Japanese transplant sites in Britain. He will contact Mr Todd in

the next few weeks to set up exploratory talks leading to full-scale negotiations, to be completed before the next pay round in two years time.
Ford sought various productivity changes in the pay round just completed.

Mr Halstead, however, said he was "floored" when 550 Halewood craftsmen refused to accept the deal. "We have to have a working agreement."

Rabid fox found 10 miles from Channel

By Michael Dynes, Transport Correspondent

French health authorities are to launch an emergency anti-rables oral vaccination campaign after a rabid fox was found near Dieppe, less than 10 miles from the Channel.

It is the first time rables has been reported so near the Channel coast since the disease got out of control in Poland during the last war. It has spread east and west at the rate of about 25 miles a year. A rabid fox was previously reported near Rosen, 30 miles from the Channel.

The auti-rables alert affects the area between Dieppe and Rouen, a region used extensively by foreign commercial and tourist traffic arriving on cross-Channel ferry services at Dieppe from the United

regional authorities plan to use helicopters to drop offel injected with the anti-rables vaccine, a technique perfected in Switzerland and now used widely to contain the spread of rabies in Europe.

According to the World Health Organization, the technique has drastically reduced the man ber of cases of rabies recorded in West Germany, The Netherlands, Denmark, Belgium and France from their 1984 peak,

However, M Xavier Delomez, director of veterinary services for Normandy, said recent diagnoses showed the disease was also being spread

A serious outbreak of rabies close to the Channel will

n anxieties over the effeness of the Channel Tunnel's rabies controls.

However, Mr Anthony Crowley, Eurotunnel's consultant veterinary surgeon and former head of the Ministry of Agriculture's rabies control unit, said there would be no sibility of animals getting through. Eurotunnel will use perimeter fences, closed-circuit television, electronic sensors, electrified grid barriers and tracker teams at both portals to prevent the disease crossing through the tunnel.

Mr Crowley, who was part of the team which pioneered the revolutionary technique of implanting the anti-rabies vaccine in chicken heads and scattering them around the countryside, virtually elim-

inating the disease in Switzerland, is confident rabies will be eliminated from the costinental mainland.

The Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food said: "We are determined to remain rabies-free after the Channel Tunnel opens in 1993, and all animal quarautine regulations currently in force at air and see ports will also be applied to the Channel

Profes W Here

Every day their nets are clogged with filth and waste. Part of a poisonous cocktail, which includes PCB's, mercury and untreated sewage, being constantly pumped into the North Sea. All along the East Coast fishermen are being afflicted with

facial sores and inexplicable skin diseases. Many fear contracting infections such as hepatitis.

This week, Chris Patten will attempt to explain at the North Sea Ministers Conference why the UK is the only country still damping contaminated sewage sludge into the North Sea.

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Maze prison officer | Spring show for winter wear | First-time drug helped IRA to kill colleague, court told

By Edward Gorman, Irish Affairs Corresponder

information to the IRA knowing it would be used to murder was told yesterday.

One colleague died in a car bombing; and the governor of a youth offenders' centre esunder his car failed to detonate. Belfast Crown Court was told:

The officer was also said to have been involved in an elaborate plan, involving a helicopter, for an escape from the Maze top security prison. The court was told that

Christopher John Hanna a former principal officer in the H Blocks of the Maze, passed information about Mr Brian Armour - including details of his home address — to a woman said to be an IRA intelligence officer.

Mr Armour, aged 48, vice-chairman of the Northern Ireland Prison Officers' Association, died in October 1988 when a booby trap bomb exploded under his car near his home in east Belfast.

The next day, a bomb was placed under the car of Mr Thomas Murtagh, governor of a young offenders' centre near Belfast, but failed to detonate.

Mr Hanna, aged 45, of Cross Lane, Magheragall, near Lisburn, Co Antrim, denies 11 charges, including aiding and abetting the murder of Mr Armour and the attempted murder of Mr Murtagh. He is also charged with possessing explosives and with offences in connection with the pos-

session of guns by prisoners. Mr Ronald Appleton, QC, for the prosecution, said Mr Hanna had collected information about fellow prison offi-

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A prison officer passed cers and passed it to the woman he knew as "Anne". home in a brown box." Mr Appleton argued that

the defence of duress did not

apply to the charge of murder.

"Even if the threats were true," he said, "they do not constitute a defence of duress.

There were many other alter-

natives other than to cause the

Mr Appleton said the escape

attempt was to have involved

up to 25 prisoners and that

explosives and gons were to be

used. Mr Hanna allegedly told

police he was to meet a van

carrying explosives at the main gate and then use his

authority to ensure that it

reached H blocks 6, 7 and 8.

The explosives were to be used

to blow holes in walls between

that after his release the prisoner who had allegedly

threatened Mr Hanna con-

tacted him and helped to set

up his first meeting with

Roseanne Brown at a hotel

A solicitor for Mr Hanna

said the defence would chall-

enge the accuracy of state-ments to the police. The trial,

which is expected to last three

• Police in Belfast were

questioning three men last

night after the discovery of a cache of bomb-making

materials in the Ardoyne area of north Belfast on Monday

The Royal Ulster Constabu

weeks, continues today.

near Belfast.

The no-jury court was told

death of his colleague."

Mr Appleton said Mr fellow officers, a Belfast court Hanna had told a fellow prison officer he had been meeting a girl who was a "Provo" at a cemetery near Lisburn. He had allegedly caped a day later when a bomb asked the colleague to ride "shotgun" for him to ensure he was not being set up.

Mr Appleton said that after his arrest, Mr Hanna at first denied meeting the woman -named in court as Roseanne Brown - but later admitted seeing her several times and passing information to her about Mr Armour's address.

Mr Hanna allegedly told police he thought Mr Armour's car was to be blown up and that he would be killed. He added: "I knew I was dealing with the Provos. They were a ruthless shower of

Mr Appleton said Mr Hanna had first become involved with the woman after helping to set up a jailbreak from the Maze last July. Mr Hanna was said to have told police that he took part in the escape plot because a prisoner had threatened his grandson.

In his statement, he allegedly said a republican prisoner in H block 1 had asked him to get prints of keys to the gymnasium and to a vocational training room, using a bar of soap.

Mr Appleton said the prisoner had told Mr Hanna: "We are hoping to get a few of our lads out using a helicopter."

lary said the haul included Mr Hanna had claimed the 300lb of fertilizer, used by the prisoner had threatened that IRA for making bombs, It was his grandson would be killed if the third time in a month that he did not co-operate. The prisoner allegedly told Mr planned terrorist operations had been interrupted because Hanna: "If necessary, you of leaks to the security forces.



A hand-painted gold sheath dress, left, from Ian & Marcel, £2,125, and black silk velvet evening dress, £685, by Vivienne Weatherall, will be among the showpieces of the British Collections for antumn/winter 1996, at the Ritz hotel, London, from March 10 to 13.

offenders only being cautioned

By Quentin Cowdry, Home Affairs Correspondent

cautioning rather than charging first-time offenders in possession of illegal drugs, it emerged yesterday.

Experimental schemes under which drug offenders are cautioned and encouraged to seek counselling for less serious offences have been running for about a year in five areas, ranging from Aberdeen to Southwark, south London.

The policy has also been adopted in Sussex, Avon and Somerset. Six other forces, North Wales, Staffordshire, Thames Valley, Humberside, Hampshire and Lancashire, are to follow suit soon. By early next year, half of the police forces in Britain are expected to adopt the policy.

Usually, the caution is not made on the condition that the offender seek help from a specialist agency. However, in Southwark, the police tend to use the caution as an incentive to persuade offenders to seek

The idea, which police chiefs strongly deny amounts to a "backdoor" legalization of drugs, is that prosecution is an expensive and even connter-productive way of dealing Prison officers yesterday found possessing or even supplying small quantities of narcotics. Police and drugs specialists believe cautions do have a deterrent effect.

Under the schemes, someone arrested on suspicion of a minor drug offence is given a card with the address and telephone number of a local, approved agency.

Dr Nicholas Dawn, director of the Institute for the Study of

Police in many regions are per cent of first-time drug offenders were charged. In London, the number of cautions increased by 210 per cent between 1984 and last year.

Dr Dawn said: "The process has been going on quietly for some time, but now appears to be set for expansion.

Drugs specialists are staging a public debate in London on the question of whether the recreational use of drugs should be legalized.

Det Supt Chris Flint, of the Metropolitan Police central drugs squad, told the conference, sponsored by the Action on Addiction charity, that drug misuse would increase sharply if the market were legalized

However, Dr Anthony Henman, of the international Anti-Prohibition League, based in Brussels, said the increasing "desperation" and "despair" of the enforcement policies adopted by Western democracies signalled that legalization was an idea whose time had come.

In Amsterdam, where soft drugs have been legalized, the number of cannabis and opiate users had stabilized.

with first-time offenders accused the Home Office of putting their staff at risk by refusing to recruit more men. Delegates at a special conference of the Prison Officers' Association in Scarborough accused the Prison Department of trying to run jails "on the cheap".

Spokesmen said the lack of staff and proper training invalidated a current pay and conditions framework agreement under the Government's Drug Dependence, which has Fresh Start campaign, and promoted the schemes, said meant pay agreements were yesterday that only about 75 open for renegotiation.

Sellafield leukaemia writs are served

By Renald Faux

Writs claiming compensation for child leukaemia victims whose fathers worked at the Sellafield plant in Cumbria were served yesterday on British Nuclear Fuels, which runs

Mr Martyn Day, a solicitor representing the families, said could be sought in three test cases that will have implications for the whole nuclear

industry.

The three cases were the first of 42 similar claims: 38 from Sellafield and four from Dounreay in Scotland, Mr Day said the actions were started before publication of

the report from Professor Martin Gardner, of Southampton University, two weeks ago linking radiation in men working at Sellafield and leukaspic in their children leukaemia in their children.

The report said the chances of leukaemia developing in a child whose father worked at Seliafield were 300-1 against 2000-1 elsewhere.

Mr Day was appealing for the cases to be heard in the High Court within a year, rather than the usual three to four years. "These families need help now - not in a few years' time," he said.

The three cases are those of Gemma D'Arcy, aged seven, from Cleator Moor, Cumbria, who is awaiting a second bone marrow transplant to treat her chronic myloid leukaemia; Alison Hope, aged 23, of Seascale, Cumbria; and the family of Dorothy Wreay, who died in 1962 aged 10 months.

A first bone marrow transplant operation on Gemma last mouth was unsuccessful. Mr Day said yesterday that if a second failed she might die. The company said yesterday that it would contest the cases. It was taking Professor Gardner's report very scriously. He had said himself

sioned extra researches". The company has said that if the results substantiate the Gardner report, then more consideration would be given to compensation.

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needed "and we have commis-

'Wealthy are more likely to survive cancer'

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

Wealthy people who contract cancer are more likely to survive than poorer people, once account is taken of sex and age, according to a study by the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys (OPCS).

The study says one third of the deaths from cancer of men and 8 per cent of women who live in council houses could be avoided by eliminating differences in social and economic conditions in the population.

The survey, which also confirms the higher incidence of illness in the south-east, is described by the OPCS as the first comprehensive analysis of survival patterns for different types of cancer taking into account housing, social class, economic position, marital status and region of residence.

Smoking differences accounted for significant difference between groups. A link was also noticed between the incidence of lung cancer and memployment, and between age at first pregnancy and number of children and the incidence of cancers of the breast, cervix and uterus.

With the exception of cervical cancer, difference between socio-

by differences in reproductive history. Women with children, however, had significantly better chances of survival from breast cancer than those who had not had children.

The analysis covered the progress of 17,844 cancer registrations over 10 years among 250,588 men and 262,484 women from the 1971 census.

The findings are the sixth report from the OPCS Longitudinal Study, started in the early 1970s, in which records of 1 per cent of the population England and Wales are the source of continuing analyses.

Within the study, however, rou-

cancer registration information can be linked with the appropriate 1971 census record.

That means that information recorded at census of household and family type, qualifications, housing tenure, household amenities and social class could be available in the analysis of the underlying factors in mortality and cancer incidence.

Similarly, information on births to mothers in the study, and any deaths before one year of age, can be linked with the appropriate census record. Combined with information from the census, this provides a full fertility

banking service.

PORTFOLIO

Timely win for holiday to visit sister

£2,000 Portfolio Platin competition was Brigadier William Aylwin, of Eccles-hall in Staffordshire.

Celebrating his second Portfolio win, Brigadier Aylwin, aged 80, will spend the money on his forthcom-ing holiday in Kenya. "I gave it all to the grandchildren last time," he said. "But I'm

flying out to Nairobi next week to visit my sister, so I

shall use this windfall to pay "It will also enable us to be

rather more adventurous than we had originally planned," Brigadier Aylwia added. "Now we can hire a small aircraft and fly down to the coast at Mombasa.

"I spent most of the last war in north Africa, but this is my first visit to Kenya and I'm really looking forward to

Foecke 'cheating' appeal

Professor claims university waged heartless vendetta

Francis Foecke, who is accused of cheating in final-year

examinations. Professor Toby Lewis said he was 100 per cent sure of Mr Foecke's innocence. He alleged that university dons had pursued the student with total "disregard to material or moral costs".

The retired mathematician was giving evidence yesterday as Mr Foecke's fight to clear his name against the univer-sity that withheld his degree entered its thirteenth day.

Bristol University dons withheld Mr Foecke's first-class honours degree in 1986

after accusing him of copying the original examination sol-

Mr Foecke, aged 32, who has been described by lecturers as a "poor student", attained 13 A passes in mathematics and computer sciences. The university withheld the degree, claiming some answers contained "remarkable" coincidences, even errors, found only in the original examination draft papers. Professor Lewis, aged 72, a

leading statistician on the board of East Anglia University, became involved in the case a year ago after reading a lengthy article on Mr Foecke's

A leading mathemetician alplight. He said he was so human consequences and for leged yesterday that university incensed by the situation that the cost to the university, let officials had waged a heartless he wrote to Buckingham Palalone to the taxpayer."

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"They pursued Mr Foecke with reckless regard for the



Mr Foecke: Seen as victim

The professor agreed to be one of Mr Foecke's witnesses support for Mr Foecke, one of Mr Foecke's witnesses
"I see that Francis Foecke is during his appeal tribunal the target and the victim of a hearing last December. After studying all the material concerning the case, Professor Lewis said at the time that he all about? What are was 98 per cent sure of Mr Foecke's innocence.

However, he said: "After bers of its staff without con- papers, and after sitting science or sensible reason," he through twelve-and-a-half days of hearings and following through the evidence, it's now quite clear that Francis Foecke

is innocent of these charges." Mr Foecke, of Clifton, Bristol, has gambled everything to clear his name. He and his wife, Priscilla, were forced to sell both their homes to raise the £110,000 costs of defend-

ing his name. What is this really all about?" the professor said yesterday. "What are we doing

"The university has pursued Mr Foecke to this day with no expression of regret let alone remorse."

Mr Alun Jones, QC, counsel for Mr Foecke, has appealed to the tribunal to dismiss the allegations and honour Mr Foecke with a first-class there are no queues at our 24 hr person-to-person

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Plant breeders demand seed royalties

By Michael Hornsby Agriculture Correspondent

Plant breeders are fighting for millions of pounds which, they say, they lose every year because farmers do not pay royalty on seed they "save" from their grain

harvest for re-sowing. Farmers, however, do not see why they should be penalized for pursuing the centuries-old practice, particularly at a time when action taken in Brusseis to cure excess cereal production is squeez-

ing their profit margins. The plant breeders maintain that the farmers are getting away with theft of "intellectual property" - the fruits of the costly research which companies under-take to produce new higher-quality seed varieties. It is estimated that about 25 per

Plant Breeders (BSPB) believes it is of our research programmes. losing £4 million a year in revenue in Britain and £50 million a year across producing the genetic improvement of a Europe, and wants the practice stopped.

The dispute goes back to 1964 when the Plant Varieties and Seeds Act gave breeders exclusivity rights over any seed variety they developed "for the purposes of marketing it", and enabled them to charge royalties for seed purchased by farmers from certified merchants. Those range from £13 to £50 a ton.

"Farm-saved seed was not covered in the Act because the farmer was using it himself and not marketing it," Mr Don McNeil, of the BSPB, said. "This did not matter at the time because farm-saved seed was then only a very small proport-

cent of all cereal seed sown in Britain is ion of the total, but now the royalties we "farm saved". The British Society of are getting do not begin to cover the cost "Twelve years of research may 20 into

new seed variety, and if this improvement enables the farmer to make a commercial gain there should be some recompense to the original breeder. Once the farmer has bought the seed variety he can reproduce it exactly."

The National Farmers' Union is

prepared to discuss some form of royalty for seed that is saved and then commercially cleaned. However, Mr Jimmy Graham, secretary of the union's seeds committee, said: "It is the historic right of the farmer to save his own seed and clean it with his own equipment on his own farm without paying a royalty."

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paid into miners' trust funds rectly to miners without any krike were not accounted for ind no receipts or documents ere kept to record them.

year without pay, increased when three MPs refused to coold, official receiver of the National Union

MPs, Mr William Michie, Mr to get their jobs back. Richard Caborn and Mr Da- Mr Arnold said that, rid Blunkett, who was elected finers Solidarity Fund which hannelled funds collected rom sympathizers to strikers and families. The trust also used the money to buy food and clothing and provide soup tchens in coal communities.

Although the trustees were sponsible for the fund, thounds of pounds collected nevr reached it because of the nner in which the money

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The confusion over the legal advice as they did not funds, established to help mithe NUM. He said that people operate with Mr Michael Ar- important to separate the

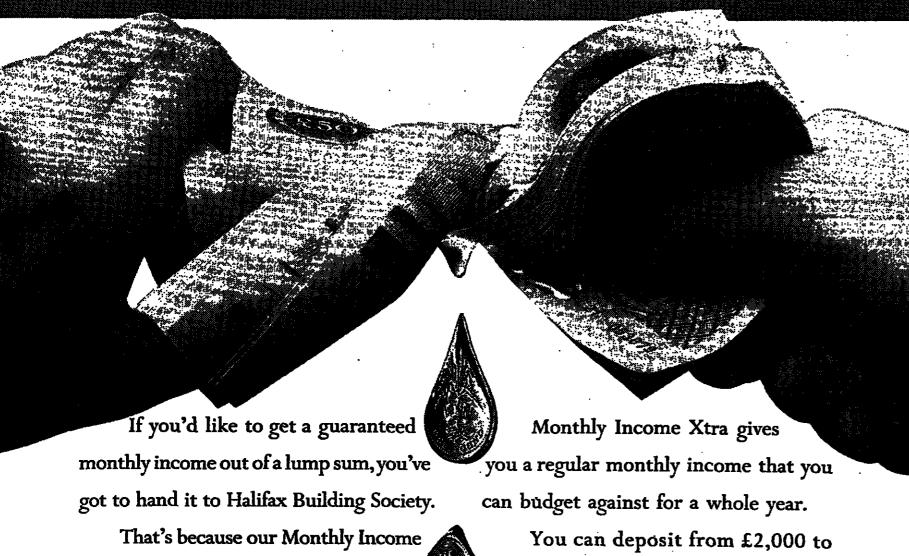
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Call for inquiry into activities of Paris group

Scargill received money from Colonel Gaddafi of Libya need to examine the role of the Paris-based International

They believe that the communist-dominated IMO was Mr Scargill and others on the national executive of the National Union of Mineworkers and that it helped to hide funds destined for the NUM in foreign bank accounts.

president, and Mr Alain Sinon, a French miners' leader,

The organization was estabished as a rival to the West International Federation and its role was to forge an alliance

osed to the free trade unions Poland's Solidarity movenent. Mr Scargill condemned verthrow of a socialist state".

giving permission for the IMO to base itself in Paris. It objected to a proposal that a organization's general sec-retary. Eventually, the IMO agreed to drop the idea of a tussian general secretary and instead appointed Mr Simon

opened several bank accounts formally come into being until September 1985, six months

were opened in Europe in 1985 and 1986. It is believed that money allegedly con-nected with the NUM was IMO into other

A full union inquiry into well, again in an attempt to allegations that Mr Arthur prevent the NUM's official receiver from secreestration

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1984 between Mr Scarpill and CGT, the French version of

failed to inform the NUM's national executive of

The account which co tained £279,000, came to light

Barry Swann, an Australian miners' leader, and Mr Mijhail Strebny, a Russian pi

Mr Scargill told the executive that a full account of the financial affairs of the IMO last year. No account has so far been furnished. An IMO spokess

Libyan and Soviet money as contacts would undermine M spread the influence of

Walker condemns flood town looters

Looters who stole from homes abandoned after the floods at Towyn in Clywd were branded as "sick and nasty" by Mr Peter Walker, Secretary of State for Wales, when he visted the stricken area

yesterday.
North Wales Police confirmed that 12 cases of theft from flooded homes had been

"I am appalled. I think it is the most wicked thing anyone can do. I only hope the culprits are caught and given the punishment they deserve for such a ghastly deed," Mr Walker said.

He was speaking after meet-ing Mr and Mrs Robert How-ard in their flood-ravaged in their flood-ravaged bungalow. They had reported that their home had been broken into during the night although it transpired after Mr Walker's visit that their bro-

walker's visit that their bro-ken back window was caused by the fire brigade seeking to make a gas fitting safe.

"I wish they had left a note. We really did think we had been burgled," Mrs Howard said.

Other cases had a much less innocent explanation. They included the theft of jewellery and the disappearance of a high-performance saloon car

away by thieves.

Mr Walker hinted there could be more help from the Government in paying for the repair work neces pointed out to council officials that the 75 per cent payable by the Government under the Bellwyn formula applied only to emergency work and not to the long-term capital invest-ment that might be needed after the flood.

"The major expe much more likely to be in capital costs that will follow this flood. There are capital grants available to local authorities, national grants on the needs elements to local authorities and plenty of said. "Sea defences on the North Welsh coast must be constantly reviewed".

that local authorities had been couraged by Mr Walker. could have expected and he supported our view of need to improve the defences," he said.

Computer 'banishes rivals to museum

By Nick Nuttall Technology Correspo

oped a commercial, speechactivated computer that can be understood by "idiots and children", it was announced

The computer can be con-trolled by the voice of a person bereft of even the meanest smattering of advanced computer language or technical knowledge, they claim.

The system, designed to recognize 100 words of human speech, could consign the familiar computer keyboard to the museum, it is believed. Osprey, a prototype com-puter, was unveiled in London

by scientists at Edinburgh University's Centre for Speech Technology Research, the team behind the scheme. They are seeking industry backing to develop applications for Osprey and to boost its voice-recognition dictically to several thousand

words. American and French computer companies have

worth as a back-up monitor for cross-checking converse controlled business information bank, allowing a finance executive to study a compamy's balance sheet and business activities by speaking key

The team's achievem according to Professor John Laver of the Endinburgh can be programmed for new tasks and words in a few days. Osprey can be programme to respond to any language scanning speech for familia

vowels and consonants and matching them with pro-

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Air controllers to have working day limited to 10 hours

Air traffic controllers' working hours may be limited by law under proposals being studied by the Civil Aviation

An independent committee, studying fatigue among controllers, has recommended that they be banned from working more than 10 hours a day and must take a break after two hours at the radar screens. At the moment there is no legal limit on the hours

The authority said it welcomed the report in principle, but said it may not be implemented for at least a year while further consultations are

The Institution of Prointo practice is unacceptable."

they can work.

fessionals, Managers and Spewhich has been pressing for the new regulations for more than five years, immediately condemned the delay. Mr Bill Brett, the union's general secretary, said: should not be implemented in time for the summer. To take another 18 months to put in

The seven-man committee, controllers manning traffic for

years, giving the world's air- no leave for six months. craft manufacturers a potential market worth \$626 billion operated the airport six days a (£384 billion) for jets to replace and enlarge fleets (Harwitt two coping when one was which spent more than a year commercial Airplane Group has, in just over a year,

new aircraft will be required anomalously unregulated," between now and 2005. the report says.

solicitor Mr David Sawyer, was set up when fears were voiced that air traffic controllers were being overworked because of the surge in air travel. It found no evidence of widespread fatigue, but some isolated cases of excessive hours being worked had revealed a number of "un-

worked for two months without any time off on a roster which varied from 2pm until 9.30pm on day one, 7am to 2pm on day two, and 9.30pm to 3am followed by 2pm to 9.30pm again on day three.

The boom in air travel is likely breaks on a two days on, two to continue for at least 15 days off rota. There had been

At a third, three staff

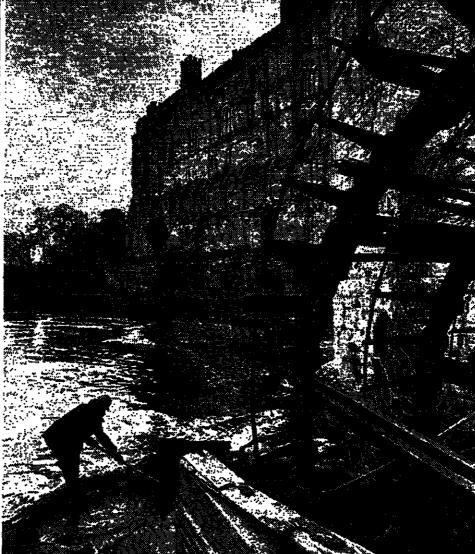
"We believe that in the interests of safety it would be increased by more than 20 per unwise for the hours of work cent its estimate of the number of civil air traffic controllers needed. It believes that 9,935 to remain formally and

"Our task is to determine if under the chairmanship of the we can what, if any, regulation of hours is necessary to guard against controllers crossing a threshold beyond which immexhaustion and collapse."

In general, the 75 per cent of controllers employed by the posed guidelines, but comsmaller airports trying to persuade controllers to work those airports particularly hard and could lead either to more staff being recruited or fewer flights being handled.

Pilots' hours are to be Another airport had two

Water mill to be restored



ctricity, is being restored to create a working mu

Judges refuse to lift bar on Wapping cases

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

to overturn a High Court decision blocking criminal proceedings against seven police officers involved in stables Ian Storrar, Nigel clashes outside the News Pratt, Gavin Stett, Terence International plant in Chitty and Ivan Szubin. Wapping, east London, in January 1987.

Mr Anthony Hooper, QC, for the DPP, Mr Allan Green, QC, asked two judges to importance for urgent consideration by the House of Lords.

That concerned the extent to which the courts were entitled to stop proceedings because of delay. But Lord Justice Watkins and Mr Justice Garland refused the application. The judges gave

Asked later if there would now be a request direct to the House of Lords to consider the case, a spokesman for the DPP said: "We have not made a decision yet. We need to consider the situation."

Last December the two judges upheld a decision by the Bow Street stipendary

The Director of Public because of the prosecution's Prosecutions failed yesterday lengthy delay in bringing

The officers were Sergeant Robert Goodger and Con-

officer, Constable Russell Cherry, they ruled that a charge of unlawful wounding should be quashed because the; certify that the case raised decision of the magistrate, Mr points of law of general public Geoffrey Wicks, to allow it to proceed was based on "flawed

PC Cherry had not been told of the charge until 13; 11 months after he had been petrator of a serious assault.

Mr Edmund Lawson, QC, for the accused officers, expressed concern yesterday that the DPP was still seeking to the seven policemen and continue with actions against 18 other officers arising from the Wapping demonstration.

Mr Lawson said it was a matter of concern that sinceunwarranted publicity, which

Bases go as RAF phases out missile

By Michael Evans, Defence Correspondent

The RAF squadrons of Brit-tions", each believed to have ish-built, Bloodhound me-dium-range, ground-to-air missiles, which have been tions is to be reduced to six by

are to be scrapped by 1995. Force Board will involve the closure within the next 12 months of two RAF bases, at March 31 next year. The

hound have also been cancelled and it is proposed to is the American Patriot tac- will stay in RAF hands. tical air defence system, al- Maintenance problems number of Nato countries.

The Bloodhound missiles, which have been updated once, have a range of 50 miles. with the RAF since 1958 and are part of the Nato and flying RAF sources say that British air defence networks. 80 to 100 hours' maintenance

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prominent landmarks on the October, all to be con-East Coast for three decades, centrated on two bases, RAF re to be scrapped by 1995. West Raynham, Norfolk, and The decision by the Air RAF Wattisham, Suffolk. The RAF will move out of

Bawdsey and North Coates by Bawdsey, Suffolk, and at Ministry of Defence has yet to North Coates, Lincolnshire. decide the bases' future. RAF Plans to join a collaborative personnel at them will be programme to replace Blood- given jobs elsewhere. The the shelf". The likeliest choice ston Heath, in Lincolnshire,

in service with a with the RAF's ageing Phantom fighters are restricting tours of duty for air crews in the Falklands to just five weeks as ground crews face They have been in service increasing difficulties in keeping the 20-year-old aircraft There are six bases with a are now needed for one hour's

total of 14 Bloodhound "sec- flying. Navy maintenance record criticized

By Sheila Guna, Political Reporter

one third of their service lives, contact between only nine of the National Audit Office the 14 committees. disclosed yesterday. They also spend only five of their work-

service at sea. foresees little hope of cutting ships are classed as non-operadown the time the ageing fleet tional for 26 per cent of their

repair work. The inquiry by the public spending watchdog into the £900 million spent annually on repairs on £7 billion-worth

board ship on computer. The auditors criticized the dockyard contractors.

individual donation to Oxford

giving £10 million to fund an

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The Run Run Shaw In-

Some of the Royal Navy's 173 maintenance organizations. ships are unfit for combat for Moreover, they could trace

time of ships also prolongs ing life of over 20 years in time spent in dry dock, cutting the number of ships available The Ministry of Defence in peacetime. On average, spends in dock or awaiting lives. The percentage is 33 per cent for some vessels, al-

of surface ships and sub-marines found that no figures ships available for operations. schedule affects the number of were kept of repair bills for Of the 55 maintenance proindividual vessels. It wants a jects costing more than budget system that sets out the £500,000 carried out under the maintenance costs of each Royal Dockyards' commercial ship. It also called for management, 39 were late. information to be kept on But much of the delay was outside the control of the

overlapping responsibilities of National Audit Office report — four different commands and 14 committees within the fleet tenance (Stationery Office, £6)

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Sir Run Run has already put his name to Shaw College, the fourth of the colleges in the

set up by his family, brings to £103 million the total so far

His gift to Oxford, paid through the charitable trust raised in the five-year Cam-paign for Oxford launched in sponse from those who studies 1988, just over half the target in the medical faculty.

By Sam Kiley, Higher Education Reporter The Hong Kong millionaire-philanthropist, Sir Ran Run comes from investments in Shaw, has made the largest cinemas, film studios and property interests in Asia, the United States, Canada and University's £200 million United States, Canada and fund-raising campaign. He is Britain. He is president of the Shaw Brothers Organization. The Bodleian Library at

Oxford has received a gift of £1 million from the Pearson Group, owners of the Financial stitute of Chinese Studies will concentrate on contemporary Times, Penguin and Longman, the library's stocks.

Edinburgh University yes terday announced that it had Chinese University of Hong raised £1 million from its graduates over the past seven years - most of it from women. About 10 per cent of Edin-burgh's living alumni have contributed an average of

"ELECOM

More than two million households had fallen behind in their debt repayments by the end of last year, according to an independent survey published today.

They included 250,000 home owners who, faced with record interest rates, were in arrears averaging up to £2,000 on mortgage repayments.

The survey, Credit and Debt in Britain, compiled by the Policy Studies Institute (PSI), says that the level of personal credit doubled in the 1980s, resulting in increasing problems for a rising number of numbers of households.

Severe financial hardships are already evident because of the community charge, the survey says. In Scotland, where it was introduced a year carlier than in England and Wales, 6 per cent of households have difficulties paying the poll tax.

The findings, which ignore Scots who are withholding payment for political reasons, will not be welcomed by the Government, which is facing mounting opposition to the introduction of the poll tax south of the border on April 1. The survey finds that rates arrears in England and Wales are "much less common".

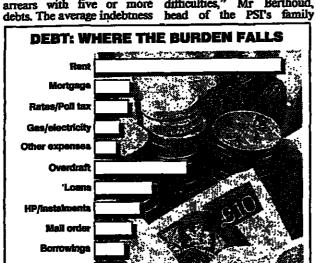
Mr Richard Berthoud, one of the authors of the report, said: "The poil tax has totally new commitment of

paying the poli tax." Overall, the study finds that 2.4 million households had problems with debt last year, with 560,000 being regarded as in serious financial difficulties, owing money to three or more creditors, and 170,000 with "very serious" arrears with five or more

Scotland. It mainly affects households was £620 out of a council tenants who pre-total of £2.9 billion.

rents have gone up and, the less well off, with 5 per additionally, they face the cent of all families, representing more than a million households, reporting arrears.

"The rent arrears findings were perfectly consistent with a problem we knew existed throughout the 1980s. It is in line with the overall findings that it is a combination of low income and high commitments that is the main cause of difficulties," Mr Berthoud,



holds in England, Scotland and usually council tenants viously paid a rates element The survey shows that rent and Wales shows the average within their rents. Now, their arrears affected particularly arrears of tenants was about A full report on the £270. For mortgage payers, the figure was £1,800.

The 250,000 figure for home owners in arrears is far more than the 60,000 cited by building societies. Mr Berthoud said that was because the societies based their statistics on those who were behind in repayments by six months or more. However, the number of home owners facing mortgage arrears is only 3 per cent of the total, while 16 per cent of tenants report problems

with paying the rent. Consumer credit arrange ments, including loans, hire purchase, overdrafts and credit cards, are found to be the other area where difficulties exist. The survey identifies almost 1.5 million

ements "in difficulty". Mr Berthoud said there had been an unprecedented boom in consumer credit in the 1980s. Nearly 75 per cent of Britzin's 21 million households use credit, with the number of agreeements exceeding 40 million last year. More than four million householders are labelled as heavy credit users with four or more different commitments.

The survey says people aged in their 30s are the biggest users of credit. Young people

finances research group, said. and poorer families, with a net The study of 1,785 house weekly income below £150 A full report on the survey,

sponsored by the Joseph Rowntree Memorial Trust, financial institutions and public bodies, including the Department of Social Security, will be published later this year with the results of a parallel Credit and Debt in Britain, by Richard Berthoud and Fizine Kempson (Policy Studies In-stitute, 100 Park Village East, London NW1 3SR).

● About 750,000 families are seriously in debt, according to the charity group Freedom from Debt, with higher mostgage rates primarily to blame in two thirds of cases (Robin

In the West Midlands, repo ssessions by banks and building societies have risen by 20 per cent in the past fev months. In Northampton more than half of council tenants are in arrears with debts of more than £1.5 million.

increased by twice the normal figure last year. In Sheffield county court actions for debt ented about one in 16 of the adult population. Rent arrears were £10 million. In the West Country, solicitors said mortgage repossession work

Splashing out in good cause



water-filled skip near Tower Bridge before handing over £24,000 to the National Asthma cistion. It was collected by 2,000 people in a spons

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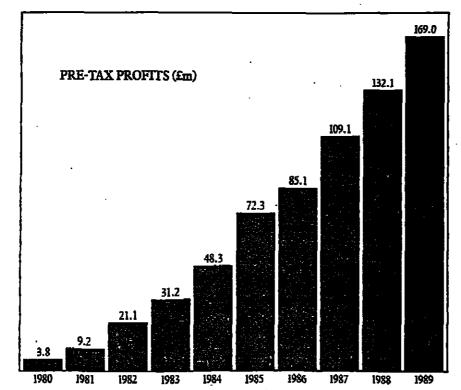
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House prices rise but trend is down

By Christopher Warman, Property Correspondent

cent last month, the first expected." ncrease since last July, the Halifax Building Society reported yesterday. But, allowing for seasonal factors, the price trend is still downwards.

The Halifax said in its survey that prices normally recover in February after falling in January, but on a crty is likely to be twice as seasonally adjusted basis month by about 0.3 per cent. Britain's annual rate of house price inflation fell to 1.6 per

ng I per cent in January, fell 0.4 per cent in February changed compared with a year ago at an average £73,310. Prices paid by first-time buyers are 7.1 per cent higher than a year ago, averaging £50,600

The average price for all houses is £60,661. The Halifax commented that the recent mortgage rate rise "confirms our view that house prices will remain depressed in 1990, but

House prices rose by 0.3 per a firm recovery in 1991 is still

• People in the South-east are more than three times as likely to inherit property as those in Scotland, and twice as likely as those in Yorkshire and the Midlands, according to the Institute of British Geog-raphers. The inherited prop-

A study by Mike Harmer and Chris Hamnett in the institute's journal Area says over £7,000 million worth of property is inherited each year. Their study is based on a survey of 3,250 adults in 1988 carried out by NOP Ltd. which showed that 291 households, 9.4 per cent of the sample, had inherited properry worth an average of

expensive in the South-east.

Regions with higher levels of owner-occupation tended higher valued property, largely in the South. London was the exception because of its low level of home ownership, but inheritors there received well above the national average.

Insurance company loses theft appeal

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

important High Court ruling sinst insurers after the theft of property worth more than £40,000 from a car success-

The defeat in the Court of Appeal for the Prudential Assurance Company means that Mr Mustafa Sofi, aged 68, will be paid the £43,175 he was awarded in the High Court almost a year ago. It included £40,950 for stolen jewellery and £600 for two mink coats.

Prudential claimed it was not liable to compensate Mr Sofi, of Clapham, south-west London, under an all-risks home and hearth policy and a travel policy after the jewellery and luggage was stolen from his car at Dover Castle.

Mr Sofi, his wife, daughter, son-in-law and another member of the family, visited the locked in the glove compartment, before catching a ferry to France in January 1986.

In the High Court last year, fully fought an appeal by the insurance company yesterday.

Judge White said the case was one of general importance to one of general importance to policy-holders. The company claimed Mr Sofi breached a condition of both policies requiring him to taken all "reasonable steps" to safeguard the insured property.

The standard of care an insurance company could insist upon, the judge ruled, was one of ordinary prudence. To impose too high a standard would be to defeat or make illusory the benefits of an all risks policy, he said.

Lord Justice Lloyd, sitting with Lords Justices Glidewell and Woolf, rejected the company's claim that it was reck-less of Mr Sofi not to have ta-ken the jewellery with him.

Spy book libel win

Mr Stephen Arthur De Mowbray, a former diplomat, accepte substantial undisclosed damages at the High Court in London yesterday in settlement of his libel action over allegations that

he persecuted Sir Roger Hollis, the former head of MI5, in a determination to establish that he was a spy.

The allegations were made in *The Secrets of the Service*, a book by Mr Anthony Glees, published by Jonathan Cape. Mr Glees and Jonathan Cape said that they accepted the suggestions in the book were false and should never have been published. They apologized for the distress and concern caused.

Meat all-clear Production at the Plumrose factory in King's Lynn, Norfolk, resumed yesterday after a six-week halt when listeria was

discovered at the plant.

Hygiene fine The Royal York hotel was fined £38,500 yesterday after Eclipscare, the owners, pleaded suilty to 34 hygiene offences in an inspection last

July. The hotel has since been approved by an inspector. III wind

better without it.

Councillors in Cromer, Norfolk, say that an amusement arcade blown off the town's gier in the gales should not be debuilt because the pier looks

Drug sentence

Fusilier Ronald Paterson aged 20, has been dismisse the service and sentenced to 140 days' detention for Possessing cannabis during his time with the 1st Battalion The Royal Highland Fusitiers

Fish threat

Natural fish stocks in the Avon are being eaten by Farbow trout swept into it is fish farms by flood water Save Avon Group says.

Flying visit A builder who fell through the roof of the mosque at the Pakistan High Commission in London, has been taken to hospital with the praying dip.

CHANGING FACE OF EUROPE

Private property Bill passed after hard Soviet debate

From Mary Dejevsky, Moscow

private property by passing the long-awaited property Bill by 350 votes to three with 11

Despite this huge majority, however - the most controversial section was passed Bill's passage was marred by hectoring, barracking and a host of procedural irregularities, all compounded by the difficulty of achieving a quorum for the final vote.

The first attempt to pass the Bill was made on Monday but was soon abandoned when it became clear that the twin claims of Sunday's elections and tomorrow's International Women's Day boliday had given Supreme Soviet deputies higher priorities than

Without once mentioning the words "private property", which the drafting committee decided were too controversialin a Soviet Bill, the law will permit ownership of housing and industrial enterprises, the hiring of labour by individuals, and the ownership of shares in companies.

Whether it succeeds in changing the Soviet economy for the better, however, will depend on how it is interpreted by local authorities.

Leasing provisions for agriculture and the introduction of co-operative enterprises and services in cities have generated strong resistance, suggesting that more ambitious legislation will lie on the statute book until popular

Ukraine and Belorussia, in-

The rule stipulating that a

candidate must receive at least

50 per cent of the votes cast is

were contested by five or more

standing unopposed - either

by not turning up or by crossing out the single name -

necessitating a new list of

candidates in a future ballot.

For the Russian Federa-

tion's parliament, only eight

candidates were elected in the

They include three senior

Russian party and govern-ment figures and Mr Vladislav

Starkov, the editor of the controversial Moscow jour-

nal, Argumenty i Falay, Mr

Nikolai Travkin, a spokesman

for the reformist Inter-Re-

gional Parliamentary Group,

first round.

of Soviet voters.

The Supreme Soviet (par-liament) yesterday paved the terday morning with first the way to limited ownership of title, then the preamble, then each of six sections being

The preamble, which set out the traditional Soviet attitude to "socialist" property and spoke of the need to prevent "alienation of the worker from with no votes against - the the means of production", failed to secure the two-thirds majority it required.

All other sections and the Bill as a whole were passed easily, with some of the traditionalist phrases removed

Sofia (Reuter) - The Bulgarian Parliament approved a law yesterday legalizing strikes for the first time in national history. It lays down rules for strikes and arbitration, but forbids stoppages in the armed forces, police, postal services, power industry and medical services. A new property law was also passed

from the preamble being reinstated elsewhere.

The passage of each section was a mere detail, however. Afterwards, in the often looking-glass world of the Supreme Soviet, there was discussion and voting on amendments within the section just agreed.

Mr Fyodor Burlatsky, an advocate of more democracy in the Soviet Union since before that cause became popular, argued for the inclusion of references to intellectual property. This had come up at every reading of the Bill and in committee. Again, he was assured this would be the subject of another law, again he was defeated in a vote.

Electoral law forces new

contest in 70% of seats

More than 70 per cent of the one of the organizers of the many places. In 26 districts, seats contested in Sunday's campaign to support the out- new elections have been de-Soviet elections will be the spoken criminal investigator, clared because fewer than half

emerged yesterday. The elec- on corruption charges of the yet available for the elections

tions, for republican par- late President Brezhnev's son- in the Ukraine, although

liaments and local councils in in-law, but fell from official spokesmen for the popular

the Russian Federation, the favour when he accused Mr front movement, Rukh, have

the continued appeal for

slovak Parliament yesterday

elections in more than four

Soviet voters of those who

stand up against the apparat.

A report in Pravda said that

voters in the city of Kuy-

byshev had mounted a

demonstration in front of the

party headquarters on polling

didates were standing un-

opposed and most ballots will

In Kamchatka, no one suc-

ceeded in being elected to the

Russian Federation's Su-

preme Soviet in the first

round, and the turnout, at 69

power and maintaining it," an

East African diplomat said.

ideal way to run the system -

Ethiopian politics was paid.

Now Mengistu realises that the benefits of sticking to

communism are outweighed

has acknowledged as much.

Today's world is no longer

President Mengistu himself

by its disadvantages."

have to be rerun.

sentation will be used.

Mr Telman Gdlyan, who was the voters turned out.

The victories of Dr Kor- seats in the new parliament

yagina and Mr Starkov show and noted that several former

decades as June 8-9, the CTK than 80 per cent.

subject of run-offs or new Mr Telman Gdlyan, who was ballots on March 18, it responsible for the conviction

volved more than two-thirds member, of receiving bribes.

blamed for the high failure Prague (AP) - The Czecho-rate in the first round, together slovak Parliament yesterday

with the fact that many seats set the dates for the first free

rebelled against candidates system of proportional repre-

The clumsy voting proce- An angry exchange was where known.

precipitated by the question of whether charitable funds should be considered "social organizations" or something different. This was not a question of who or what should be permitted to own property, but a semantic ques-

tion which revolved around

the inclusion or not of the

word "including" after the

words "social organizations". A definition was sought of "earned income" - or rather, "income deriving from lab-our" - which led one deputy to shout that interest on savings-bank accounts could not be considered earned income - ergo all savings banks should be shut. Even Marx, it was agreed, had had some difficulty in defining earned

Marxism raised its head again when a group of dep-uties decided to press for a clause outlawing "the exploitation of man by man", leading another group to insist that, if it were to be included, it would have to be defined.

ілсоте.

Mr Anatoli Lukyanov, the Vice-President who chaired bad-tempered session, tried to keep order by a combination of firm discipline and occasional indulgences. Exasperated at one point, he said that he, like the Supreme Soviet, was still 'learning democracy".

The general mayhem and poor attendance at the Supreme Soviet led Izvestia yesterday to criticize the calibre of deputies and their sense of responsibility. The newspaper has promised to publish a list of those who were absent on Monday - with their reasons,

There are no official figures

said that its "democratic bloo will take about a quarter of

dissidents had been elected in

In Belorussia, one-third of

parliamentary deputies were

election (Reuter reports).

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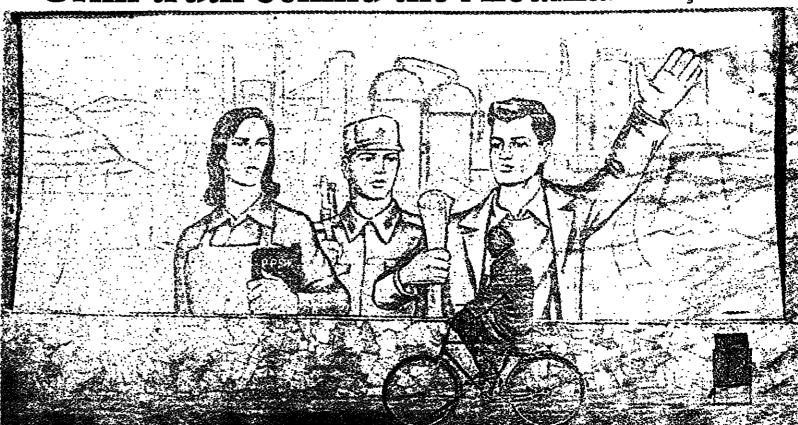
tion," he said her, where he is

"I must first analyse the

Sverdlovsk.

the first round.

Grim truth behind the Albanian façade



Rhetoric and reality: While wall paintings and posters, like this, above, in the town of Korce, praise the achievements of communism throughout Albania, the women, below, huddling together on a street corner in the town of Shkoder, quickly try to hide home-grown vegetables, which they are trying to sell on the illegal black market, for fear of punishment.



Hopes of non-communists in Romania ride on free press

week to break the domination said. But he added that, of the Romanian media by the National Salvation Front, which succeeded the Ceausescu regime and includes many former Communists.

elected in the first round, from Transporters carrying the an average turnout of more first printing press shipped into Romania from the West Voters also seem to have state news agency reported. A OSLO: Mr Boris Yeltsin, a since the December revoluprominent reform candidate, tion are being prepared by a British company. The hopes said yesterday he would offer himself for elections as presiof non-communist Romadent of the Russian Republic,

nians of preventing a landslide provided the other reformist victory for the Front in the candidates won 50 per cent general election on May 20 support in last weekend's will ride with them. Mr Ion Ratiu, president of Mr Yeltsin was elected to the Russian Parliament on day because so many can-Monday with about 80 per didates were standing un-cent of the vote from his

the London-based World Union of Free Romanians, which is organizing the shipment, said yesterday that unless mass circulation opposition newspapers appeared on the streets before the election, most voters would assume that there was no alternative to the Front. promoting his autobiography.

An attempt will be made this communism any more," he Mr Ratiu returned in January to fight the elections. despite this, the Front looked like winning a big majority.

> The fact that most of Ceausescu's officials had retained their jobs throughout the country showed the true colours of the Front. But most diplomats felt it was the only organization capable of running the country. It is this assumption that Mr Ratiu hopes to challenge.

In talks yesterday with Mrs Thatcher at Downing Street, he apparently secured British endorsement for the project.

He said that Britain had agreed to pay for the trans-portation of 1,000 tonnes of newsprint, which is scarce in Romania. The World Union's this legislation by declaring newspaper, Romanul Liber, is that the World Union is a proto be published daily in Bucharest by April, instead of monthly at present.

"No one in Romania wants an anti-Ceausescu campaign, candidate.

But he was dismayed by the

reluctance of the National Front to give up powers enjoyed by its predecessor. He said Mr Ion Iliescu, the

interim President, initially refused to allow him to set up a printing plant on the ground that printing was a state monopoly. But in a further meeting last week he appeared to change his mind.

"I won't know whether we shall succeed until the press arrives at the border" he said. Under Romanian law it is illegal for a political party to receive help from another party outside the country.

Mr Ratiu has sidestepped democracy organization.

But his position is further complicated because he is also After half a century in exile a leader of the National Peasin Britain, where he mounted ant Party and is standing as its

WORLD ROUNDUP

Custody battle mother arrives

Wellington - Dr Elizabeth Morgan, the American mother at the centre of the world's most publicized custody battle, arrived in New Zealand yesterday to continue the fight for custody of her daughter Hilary, aged seven (Richard Long writes). But although they have been apart for more than two years, while Dr Morgan spent 25 months in prison for refusing to reveal Hilary's whereabouts, there was no

immediate meeting.

Dr Morgan remained in Auckland, in the North Island, talking with her lawyers and the counsel appointed by the New Zealand Family Court to look after Hilary's interests, while the girl stayed with her maternal grandparents in Christchurch, in the South Island. Hilary's father, Dr Eric Foretich, accused by Dr Morgan of sexually abusing their daughter, arrived in Auckland last week, saying he was "sick of being portrayed as a latter-day Jack the Ripper".

Colony to lobby MPs

Hong Kong (AFP) - Hong Kong will fly British MPs out to lobby their support for a plan to provide UK passports to some 225,000 Hong Kong residents, Sir David Wilson, the Governor, said yesterday. Forty MPs will be invited at a cost of HK\$3.2 million (£230,000), to be paid by the Hong Kong Government, according to a government source. Sir David said: "If we can help in this process by explaining to Members of Parliament why this Bill is needed to keep people in Hong Kong, and that is the key to the whole thing, then we should certainly do so." Sir David is to leave today for what he called a routine four-day visit to London. He said that his talks would include the question of the

US army cocaine ring

New York - Investigators believe that a grenade attack which killed a US serviceman in a Panama City night club is linked with cocaine trafficking by American military personnel, according to television reports (Charles Bremner writes). Army investigators have uncovered an extensive ring among the 13,000 US troops flown back to the United States during the past month, CBS News said. The soldiers were said to have been recruited by Panamanian and Colombian traffickers eager to exploit an efficient new conduit for evading US Customs inspection.

Peru rights protest

Lima - A coalition of human rights groups has denounced "an unprecedented series of aggressions" against human rights workers and organizations in Peru (Corinne Schmidt writes). The accusations have provoked an angry reaction from the Peruvian Government. In a statement, published in two Lima newspapers, the human rights group denounced the February 18 bombings of the offices of the Andean Commission of Jurists and the International Committee of the Red Cross, and the bombing last Sunday of the office of the Amnesty International local chapter.

Ring of despondency

Rome - Italy has some of the worst public services in Europe, according to the Italian Confederation of Industry (Paul Bompard writes). Its survey found that only 53 out of 100 telephone calls are successful, that a letter takes an average of five days to get from one Italian city to another, that 36 per cent of Italian railway locomotives are more than 40 years old, and that the water supply system leaks 40 per cent of the water between the source and the user. The gap between Italy and the other leading European countries is increasing, according to the survey, rather than closing.

Ripples of Eastern reform in Africa

Street dancing as Marxist era nears end in Ethiopia

From Christopher Walker, Cairo, and Marti Colley, Nairobi

and Dr Tatyana Koryagina, per cent, was lower than in

Ethiopian students sang and Democratic Unity Party of danced in the streets of Addis Ethiopia as merely the latest Ababa yesterday to demonstrate their support for Mengistu to shore up his President Mengistu's pro- crumbling political empire. posals to scrap 15 years of Marxist-Leninist policies in favour of liberalizing political and economic reforms.

The wide-ranging reforms outlined on Monday are the most striking results to date of the winds of change from Eastern Europe now threatening to disturb the status quo in more than a score of Arab and African nations. Despite this rare display of

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public approval, observers dismissed the proposals to introduce a mixed economy and to allow opposition groups a voice in the New

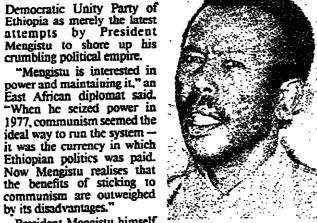


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President Mengistn: Move towards liberalization.

Countries which previously what it was when we chartered supported President 15 years ago," he said in a Mengistu's communist regime speech to the ruling Workers are now more concerned with Party Central Committee solving their own domestic which was broadcast live on problems than with propping up an under-developed nation beset with famine, economic bankruptcy and civil war.

Ethiopia's uncertain progress towards liberalizalook. We need to map out tion came just as unrest against ruling governments has become widespread across the continent, notably against dent Houphouet-Boigny in tionize Eastern Europe. Ivory Coast. Many conser-

striving to accommodate Prince, told activists at a newspaper interview later growing demands for a regional version of perestroika and glasnost.

inter-dependence is now so great that it can only be a matter of time before others follow suit," explained a former Arab ambassador to Moslearnt from Eastern Europe in recent months is that the unpleasant circumstances they have had to live with for years can now be altered."

Yesterday in the Saudi capital Riyadh, three ministers from the six-member Gulf Cooperation Council gathered specifically to consider the effects on member nations of the political revolution that has swept Eastern Europe.

The three ministers from Kuwait, Bahrain and Oman were appointed at the GCC's last summit to review what is widely seen as a major threat to stability in a region still struggling to overcome the traumatic effects of the eightyear Iran-Iraq war. In recent months, Kuwait's

ruling family has faced seven stormy rallies organised by the country's newly formed prodemocracy movement.

heated meeting last Saturday criticized by some Arab dipthat the government was now anxious to see the election of a fied complacency." "Even in the Third World, new representative assembly. His enthusiasm has not

been matched by other Gulf leaders, a number of whom have argued that their nationals have a traditional right "What people have of access to the ruler to demand satisfaction. Bahrain's Prime Minister,

Sheikh Khalifa bin Sulman al-Khalifa announced last month

Minutes of hope Chicago (AP) - The Doomsday Clock on the cover of the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists was put back yesterday from the Arab delegates. to reflect reduced superpower tensions. For two years the paper went on to refer scath-clock has stood at six minutes ingly to the "Arab Ceau-to midnight. Now it gives the sescus" who had "outdone clock has stood at six minutes to midnight. Now it gives the world another "four minutes" before the nuclear holocaust, having been moved back to 10

that it was premature for Gulf Arab States to copy Westernstyle democracy. Bahrain dissolved its own assembly in

minutes to midnight.

"Stability and fair distribu-Sheikh Saad al-Abdullan al- people wanted and this is inence, by a cident or design".

vative Arab regimes were Sabbah, Kuwait's Crown taking place," he stated in a lomats for displaying unjusti-The extent of the troubles

facing a part of the globe where monarchs, emirs, presidents or single ruling parties have long held overwhelming power was graphically demonstrated in December when news of the overthrow of Ceausescu coincided with a Euro-Arab meeting in Paris.

As the Arabic newspaper, Al Hayat, commented acidly, the public jubilation by the 12 European foreign ministers present on hearing of the tyrant's overthrow was met with a "despondent silence"

Without naming names, the their mentor in their ability to dress up their dictatorial rule in patriotic slogans; to strangle their people's spirit and character and glorify their submission and silence; to perpetuate massacres and make sure that the lesson is not lost on anyone who dares to resist the process of mass brainwashing; to purge figures tion of wealth are what our who look like rising to prom-

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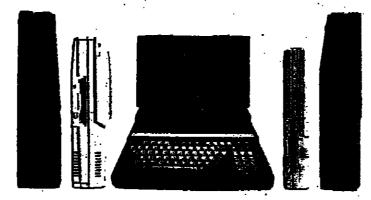
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travels to Berlin and, near the tones of a 1930 calender, Zoo station, buys from the for bargains.

Not Ela Wisniewska. She crosses the border on Thursfor Ostmarks that could soon become Deutschmarks.

And yet, as you wind down the Oder and the Neisse, the from Slavs, you can feel the throb of anxiety.

A unified Germany would be a magnet to the German minority not only along the Oder but also in the Soviet Union and Romania. As long as there is a lobby of Silesian and Pomeranian emigrés in West Germany, as long as there is ambiguity about the Polish-German frontier, unification is a menace.

"Nobody thinks that the Germans have another Hitler in them," says a burly Roman Catholic priest in a parish near the frontier. "But there are historical patterns.

"In the 1930s Germany tried to put itself together again, like now, and somehow the existence of minorities outside German borders became intolerable. Remember the Sudeten Germans?

Follow the Oder, then cut into the industrial hinterland far away from the border and there, at the end of a rubbishstrewn canal, is Gliwice, formerly Gleiwitz.

Who's afraid of the Germans? Tante Emma Laden (corner shops), the clatter of trams: Almost every weekend he Germany, but in the sepia

The dramatic overture to East Germans who crowd the German invasion began through the wall and sells to here in Gliwice: a group of the West Germans scouting Nazi concentration camp prisoners, dressed in Polish uniforms, were shot as "evidence" of a Polish attack on a days, selling eggs and chickens German radio station in August, 1939. Hitler denounced the "Polish bandits" and the

military machine cranked up. Now Polish names camouline that separates Germans flage the Germanisms; in the park, the pre-war monument to the Katzler Lancers has been torn down and in its stead is the usual masonry to the victims of the Second World War,

Poland almost certainly began on the banks of the Oder. In the 11th century, the chronicler Adam of Bro described the Poles as inhabitants of the lands east of the Oder: "qui trans Oddram sunt Polanos".

The borders moved, the ethnic identity of the region was jumbled, but the last great shift of frontiers at Potsdam and Yalta put the dividing line between Germans and Poles back on the banks of the Oder.

About 3.4 million Germans were chased out of Silesia and other border areas between the bitter winter of 1944 and 1948. Later the Russians and Poles Silesia has mixed blood, operated erratic verification procedures, expelling Germans but also Silesians, hybrid Poles, who had been forced into German service. Mr Hubert Materna, a Si-

nerly Gleiwitz. lesian German activist, re-It is Polish, of course, but members it all. "After the war also, in some subtle way, if you were a Silesian German German. Perhaps it is the you had a choice. Either you fading advertisement for changed your name to make it Schultheiss-Patzenhofer beer sound Polish or you were wall), or the heaps of coal in given 24 hours to pack your homes. the street, the drayhorses, the bag and move west. Or you got Under



A lone protester with a "Hands off Poland" message outside the Bonn chancellory yesterday. no notice at all and you went Constitution, those who lived identities. But there are some

east, to Siberia." As the Germans left, so the Poles expelled from eastern

German citizenship. The Pol- Germa ish authorities reckon that at

in Silesia in 1937 and their 300,000 who claim to fall offspring are entitled to West under the Bonn definition of

The minority is growing most 15,000 people remain restive — at least partly the with genuine ethnic German work of Bonn. Silesian Ger-

they want. Their association will soon be registered, priests are increasingly offering German-language services.

West German credits, always dependent on the treatment of the German minority, are beginning to flow.

However, as life gets easier for the Germans, so the sense of grievance grows and Bonn's involvement looks less

Bonn is a big player. German money, in terms of industrial investment, can make or break a community.

Opole is where the arguments are most raw, the suspicions darkest. Here, in an industrial wasteland twice as filthy as the Ruhr, the community is still smarting from a byelection that put words to the fears. "Germans go back to Germany" declares one of the mildest graffiti. Swastikas are scrawled everywhere.

Dr Dorota Simonides, aged 61, an anthropologist running on the Solidarity ticket, beat a Silesian German, Mr Henryk Krol, aged 42. The vote split 68 to 32 per cent in Solidar-ity's favour and the Oder which flows through the region was the dividing line.

On the left bank those Poles resettled from eastern territories voted for Dr Simonides. The right bank backed the

Opole is almost four hours' drive from the frontier and yet it is abrim with pro- and anti-German sentiment.

Dr Simonides says the vote was "essentially against communism". It was the communists who wanted a homogeneous Poland, who fined Silesians for speaking German, whose police searched houses for German mementoes or books, who jailed Silesians for putting flowers on Wehrmacht graves.

Another German organizer,

about changing the borders. We just want to live here, to speak our language, to pray in German, to import books, and to receive our pension in Deutschmarks."

But nothing is so simple in Silesia. Mr Krol says he wants to give Silesian Germans a reason for not emigrating. The Bonn Government, in the face of the East German exodus, is all behind him. If it makes people stay at home. Bonn is more than ready to plough money into cultural institutes.

Yet the groundswell of the minority rights movement is not really concerned with building German theatres - it wants to get out of an increasingly poor and polluted part of Europe before it is too late. How many of the 250,000plus signatories of the circulating pro-German petition are of German origin nobody

Most Silesian Poles are furious about this - it smacks of desertion. And the emigré lobby in West Germany, one of the pressure groups on the Christian Democratic Party of Herr Helmut Kohl, the Chancellor, is dangerously ambiguous about the minority. Yes, they want the Silesian Germans to realize their German identity, have their own news-paper, but they also want their houses back.

"The other day," a wrinkled woman tells me in Gliwice, "a West German lady drove up in a nice blue car. 'Guten Tag,' she says, 'thank you for looking after my house so well. Here is 50 Deutschmarks, don't let the garden rot. Soon we're all coming home, you

"But," replied the woman this is my house." Who's afraid of the Ger-

mans? That woman is afraid. Leading article, page 15

UK call for new entente cordiale

From Philip Jacobson Paris

As events in Germany and Eastern Europe continue to dominate foreign policy considerations in the West, Sir Ewen Fergusson, the British Ambassador to Paris, has delivered a strong plea for closer co-operation between Britain and France in areas of vital mutual concern.

"It is self-evident that in this exciting, but potentially dangerous world, our interests coincide as never before," he told the French Chamber of Commerce at a lunch in London vesterday.

It would be immensely beneficial to the stability of the European Community if the two nations "can count on each other's support". Even the prospect of US withdrawal would be less alarming were Britain and France to provide the joint leadership of a European desence effort.

"With their nuclear capabilities, their traditionally high levels of defence expenditure .. they are uniquely well placed to do so." As permanent members of the UN Security Council, Sir Ewen observed, Britain and France were directly involved in efforts to solve the world's regional problems in a way not shared by their European partners.

Given that trade and investment also linked Britain and France more closely than ever before, Sir Ewen wondered why the "inexorable logic" had not drawn the two countries as closely together as France now is with West

Modrow talks indicate firmer Moscow stance

Moscow in a month, yesterday finalized his Government's terms for German unity dur-

ing talks with Soviet leaders. Afterwards, the official East German account of the talks the first four-power negotiations on the Germany.

According to the East German spokesman, Herr Wolfgang Meyer, the East German and Soviet sides agreed that the transition to unity should be a gradual process synchronized with progress towards European unity. There was to be no question of annexation, he said, using the emotive German word

Herr Modrow and his delegation yesterday met President Gorbachov, the Prime Minister, Mr Nikolai Ryzhkov, and other senior Soviet leaders for several hours of talks that were described as "frank, construc-

tive and friendly". Herr Meyer said the two sides had also agreed that it would be "unacceptable" for a united Germany to be a member of Nato because this would upset the balance of power in Europe. He quoted one member of the East German delegation as saying that this would be interpreted

The East German Prime Min-ister, Herr Hans Modrow, Cold War". New European and insisted that Poland making his second visit to security structures had to be should be represented in any worked out that would eventually lead to a demilitarized

Mr Gorbachov has never explicitly ruled out Nato either East Berlin or Moscow membership for a united Ger- to retard the unification prowhich was not contradicted by the Soviet side — indicated many, insisting instead on the need to maintain the current many, insisting instead on the cess, saying that it was a that Moscow could be harden-strategic balance in Europe. ing its position in advance of Asked directly in an interview the international community

Organ sales

n – East Germany has been raising hard currency by selling the vital organs of accident victims for transplant surgery in the West, according to Bild yesterday (Ian Murray writes). The newspaper quoted the going price for a heart as DM 60,000 (£21,500). The sister of a Dresden road-accident victim is reported as saying that she found out what was going on only after her brother's heart had been flown by helicopter to West Berlin.

with East and West German television whether he would countenance a united Germany in Nato, he parried the question, asking how the West would feel if Moscow insisted on a united Germany being a member of the Warsaw Pact, and returned to the concept of strategic parity.

The East German spokesman also said that both sides had agreed on the necessity of respecting the existing East

discussions which affected its interests and security.

Herr Meyer denied that there was any attempt by question of responsibility — to Germans, to Europe and to - and that both Moscow and plus-four talks to begin as soon as possible.

This was probably the East German Prime Minister's valedictory visit to the Soviet Union, and the ability of the East German side to implement any undertakings must be in question.

Elections in East Germany on March 18 are expected to result in defeat for the communist-led coalition and the acceleration of the pace of reunification. A week ago. senior members of the country's Social Democratic Party the favourites to win the election - were given a redcarpet reception in Moscow.

Herr Meyer's opening statement at his press conference had more than a hint of a farewell, emphasizing the kindly feelings of the East German leadership towards the Soviet Union, expressing the hope that co-operation would continue, and pledging to do everything possible to ensure that existing agree-ments were honoured.

Dark secrets of Buchenwald kept by 'Russians on the hill'

wald is prettily lined with logical convenience. frosted trees, and, in the late The Government afternoon sun, deer can be glimpsed darting through the woods. Below, in the valley, lies the rural town of Weimar.

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Nazi concentration camps darkens the mood of any travposed slopes brings to mind the words of a former prisoner. "Whatever the weather, it was always cold in Buchenwald."

The camp in which 56,000 victims of Nazism met their death is now beginning to disgorge more terrible secrets as postwar history in East Germany emerges from the

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The winding road to Buchen- shrouds of 40 years of ideo- custodians lied about the The Government recently admitted what older people in the area have known all these period".

years - that for five years after the war ended, the Nazi camp But approaching the site of was used by the Soviet Union one of the most notorious to incarcerate not only promeller. The steely cold of ex- communists to be politically Many of those imprisoned

by Hitler found themselves released in 1945 only to be to grind." returned there by the new regime months later.

Local historians estimate that up to 13,000 people died in the camp in five years of hunger, disease and cold. In Weimar, the home of

Goethe and Schiller, middleaged citizens recall being admonished as children with "Russians on the hill" if they did not behave.

But until recently, visitors to the camp were told only of the liberation by Soviet troops, with the implication, if not the actual lie, that the camp was cleared in 1945.

Herr Heinz Koch, the deputy director of the museum, denies that he and his fellow)

activities there before the closure of the camp in 1950, "although I would accept we were not open about this

The new openness has enabled him to talk, for the first time, about his own reinent Nazis, but also guiltless searches, pursued covertly for Germans considered by the many years. "It was a time of revenge and suspicion," be said. "Many people were delivered here by enemies with a personal or political axe

He said that accusations were rarely checked by the Soviet authorities and few trials were held. "The German communists had the ultimate say in who was to be imprisoned and many people died here of sheer isolation and

The truth about the motives the threat of being sent to the and victims of the period still remains largely closed to historical research, with the relevant archives returned to the Soviet Union in 1950 and not yet open to scrutiny.

The wardens of Buchenwald last week asked the East German Government to set up, with the Soviet Union, a joint historical commission to research the period.

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Pretoria's defence | Court frees Enrile on bail | Staff dismay at chief urged to quit over death squad

Defence, is under mounting pressure to resign following disclosures that a clandestine army unit plotted to kill Mr Duliah Omar, a lawyer and close personal friend of Mr

A judicial commission of inquiry has heard that the scheme to switch pills — which Mr Omar took for a heart complaint - for others which would induce a heart attack was among about 200 "dirty tricks" devised by the Civil Co-operation Bureau, an undercover branch of the military special forces which operated against perceived enemies of the state at home

Lieutenant-General Rudolph Badenhorst, the chief of military intelligence, said in an affadavit that the plan to murder the Cape Town advocate had been admitted to him during an internal in-

centre near Cape Town, and a bomb attack on a store owned by an anti-apartheid activist in Pretoria.

disclosure proved that apart-

General Magnus Malan, the "Plans to eliminate me tell us minister's position appears South African Minister of that the sooner we bury this oppressive society, the better it will be for all South

> Major-General Edward Webb, the special forces comthat projects which had political implications required it existed. ministerial approval.

It is understood that the unit has been operating for several years, but General Malan said this week he had

ced to death yesterday for a fatal insurance frand. Dean Plank, aged 22, and Gert Swart, aged 30, hareda tramp into a car and set it alight. Swart claimed in-surance of £170,000 on Plank.

been unaware of its existence until last November.

nim during an internal investigation of the bureau's activities in January.

He said the unit was also responsible for a limpet-mine explosion which injured two people at a Coloured youth centre near Cape Town, and a

tified that General Webb reported directly to General J. J. Geldenhuys, the South African Defence Force chief.

questioning how expenditure on the Civil Co-operation mander and chairman of the bureau, told the commission have been accounted for if General Malan did not know

General Jan Klopper, the Chief of Army Staff, said yesterday that the bureau had organizations such as the African National Congress and the South African Communist Party abroad, and had no authority to commit offensive acts within the country.

General Webb said information on operations abroad could not be provided for reasons of state security and to protect those involved.

But he has disclosed that the bureau had 139 agents who planned and executed opera-tions throughout the world and a large number of "un-

He was unable to provide documents on the unit's "internal" activities, as the only Major Staal Burger, a regional directors. Colonel Verster was arrested in connection with With high-ranking officers criminal investigations last becoming ensuared in the Friday, and Major Burger is in "death squad" scandal, the hiding.

Mandela hints at political safeguards for wary whites

An African National Congress la appears to regard the from which we want to government would be pre-pared to give constitutional guarantees to whites in South Africa to appease their fears that they would be overwhelmed by the country's black majority, Mr Nelson Mandela, the organization's newly appointed deputy president, hinted strongly here

"We know that the whites would like some structural them against their fear of being dominated by blacks of the past must be forgotten when a broad, non-racial gov- so that we can get all the ernment is formed," he told a population groups of the press conference at the end of country concentrated on the his three-day visit to Zim- task of building their babwe, his first official mis- country." post last week.

"We are prepared to address intory position on the questiant question, but the exact tion of South Africa's whites, nature of that guarantee is going so far as to give assursomething we cannot discuss ances that they would be here," he said. "It is still under permitted to run their own discussion and I can only hope that, in due course, we will be system, and to "maintain their able to come out with a own cultural background". formula which will satisfy not only the oppressed people but the whites as well."

His remarks were seen as the most definitive yet on the Zimbabwe. "The fact that the issue of white guarantees. Government and people of Observers believe that, with the backing of the rest of the plementing the policy of ment in Sweden after suffering ANC's leadership, Mr Mande-reconciliation is an experience a stroke last year.

whites as a fait accompli, with yesterday. only the form this will take to be decided before the ANC begins negotiations with Pretoria on South Africa's future.

He said the question of reconciliation with South Africa's five million whites "cannot be overstressed, because we have a substantial white population in our country, and it is our intention that, the injustices and the cruelties

Mandela adopted a concilschools outside a government

He has also been at pains to praise the policy of reconciliation adopted by President Mugabe's Government in Zimbabwe are now im-

constitutional protection of profit," Mr Mandela said

The white question is expected to place considerable strain on the ANC's leadership, the more radical of whose members will fiercely resist what they regard as "giving away too much".

The Pan Africanist Congress (PAC), the smaller but more militant of South Africa's two liberation organ-izations, appears to be capital-izing on Mr Mandela's flexibility. In Harare on Monday Mr Zephaniah Mothopeng, the group's president, told a press conference, "We are not appeasers. Those who want privileges because of

ANC and the PAC were in Harare over the past three days, no attempt was made to heal the breach between the two which opened in 1961. Mr Mandela left for Tanzania later yesterday, where he is to meet cadres of Umkhonto we Sizwe (Spear of the Nation), the ANC's military wing in their training camps there. Later he will fly to

Although leaders of both the

Stockholm to confer with Mr Oliver Tambo, the ANC president, who is undergoing treat-

Ciskei emergency imposed after 27 die in coup violence

terday in Ciskei, the nominally independent South African homeland, following a weekend coup and public violence which medical sources say has left at least 27 dead and 500 hurt. The new military council of Brigadier Oupa Gqozo de-

cided to impose the emergency amid continuing sporadic looting and arson, Mr R.F. "Pik" Botha, the South African Foreign Minister, said here during a snap parliamentary debate on the initially bloodless coup.

ued to attack isolated homes part of the chaos, according to tally bloodless coup.

witnesses, and factories

South African troops and police, sent into Ciskei at the nox Sebe, who left on a trade request of Brigadier Gqozo on Monday, would be reinforced Friday, cut short his trip

reports of widespread damage. Brigadier Gqozo, aged 36, speaking in the capital, Bisho, called for an end to criminal activity and his appeal was echoed by civic associations in Ciskei's worst-hit areas.

Mr Nelson Mandela, deputy president of the ANC, added his appeal for calm in a message from Harare.
The presence of soldiers and drenching rains yesterday cur-

tailed violent outbreaks but

and trading posts. The ousted President Lenmission to Hong Kong last

Cape Town (AFP) - A state of by an armoured-car squadron, yesterday and headed for emergency was declared yes- Mr Botha said, in the wake of home via Taiwan. An aide said he was concerned about his son, General Kwane Sebe the former head of the Cisker police, who had been reported arrested, and his wife.

Mr Sebe assumed power in 1981, when the country became one of the present four independent homelands set up by Pretoria to segregate black tribes, and his rule has been marked by accusations of corruption and nepotism.

Attacks on Mr Sebe's homes small groups of youths contin- and those of his family were belonging to Taiwanese and Israelis - Ciskei's largest foreign investors besides South Africa - were also hard hit.



sition MP, with his wife Cristina, waving to supporters yesterday as he left a Supreme Court hearing in Manila, where he was freed on bail of £2,500. His release was a setback for arrested for "rebellion with murder", an offence punishable by life imprisonment, after alleged involvement is a comp attempt last December (Vyvyan Tenorio writes). The court

offence. This doesn't diminish the quality of evidence in the hands of the Government." Mr Eurile, arrested on February 27, has contested the legality of the charges. Meanwhile, there were unconfirmed reports that the fagitive, Mr Cagayan prevince who is also wanted for as deputy director general

Unesco on \$5m jobs expansion From Sessan MacDonald, Paul.

United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization here were shocked and outraged yesterday after Senor Federico Mayor, its Director General, announced the creation of more jobs at an estimated \$5 million (£7.9 million) instead of trimming extravagant spending.

His much-heralded restructuring programme was embarrassingly published on the eve of yesterday's public hearing of the House of Commons Select Committee on Foreign Affairs on the possibility of Britain rejoining Unesco. Instead of the promised

radical solutions to overstaffing and mismanagement, with hints of cutting 700 jobs, Senor Mayor announced the creation of 24 new posts at the level of assistant director general level and across-the-board promotions for senior staff. His unilateral action created

the feeling that he had shot himself in the foot after two years of trying to convince its detractors that Unesco had changed under his leadership.
Delegations of several Western member countries felt that the moves made it all the more difficult for Britain and the United States to

Britain, the US and Singaore walked out in the mid-1980s over allegations of serious mismanagement under Senor Mayor's controversial predecessor, Mr Amadou Mahtar M'Bow from Senegal. It was hoped when Senor Mayor was elected in 1987 that he would make weeding out officials who had been appointed during the MBow

era a priority. Instead, several have now been promoted.

The most controversial of the new set of appointments is that of Mr H. Yushiavitshus

was previously deputy director of the Soviet State Conmission for Radio and Television. His appoin it is being underlined in Sent. Mayor's own decision.

The job of director for relations with Europe, to-ditionally held by a Western or neutral European, soci in Mr Bons Kluchnikov from the Soviet Union.

It is understood that Scott Mayor took these decisions without consulting the Uneso executive board, as he is bound to do under its rules.
Japan, which makes the biggest contribution to Unesco with 16 per cent of the budget, was known yesterday to be considering withholding contributions until the changes are frozen, pendingar extraordinary executive board

Senor Mayor appeared be fore the foreign affairs committee last week.

He explained, as he did yesterday on BBC Radio 4 which Britain had walked out no longer existed.

The financial situation had been straightened out and Unesco needed British and US intellectual input. Instead it has been assessed inside Unesco that an assis-

tant director general costs around \$180,000. A post of departmental director, of which 12 have been created, costs around

\$150,000. One estimate shows that Senor Mayor's structural adjustments could cost the sum which is not budgeted for. Only a tiny part of Sendr Mayor's 70-page document deals with job cuts — and it is

the painters and carpenters who will suffer. Leading article, page 15

understood that it is mainly

Middle East peace efforts

Israel coalition facing collapse

The fate of Israel's strife-torn a Palestinian negotiating After a marathon five-hour the inclusion of East Jeru-

Cabinet today on controver- the inclusion of East Jeru-Middle East peace talks.

wing Likud party — which set East Jerusalem as the capital tough, new conditions for the of a Palestinian state domitalks late on Monday night refuse to give a "positive response", Labour sources said, the coalition faces

The inner Cabinet consists of six Labour ministers and six Likud ministers.

Labour has threatened to form a "narrow coalition" with the religious parties, on a "peace platform", to achieve a settlement with the Palestinians if Likud refuses to accept terms for Israeli-Palestinian talks in Cairo laid down by Mr James Baker, the US Secretary

Mr Baker has asked the Israeli Government to say whether it would accept Palestinians deported from the occupied territories and Arabs from East Jerusalem in of a Palestinian state domi-Jerusalem (AP) - The leading

organization of Israeli news-paper editors is protesting against censorship imposed by the Government on the figures for Soviet Jewish immigration. Hannah Zemer, editor of the pro-Labour daily Davar, said there would be a joint repre-sentation to Mr Yitzhak Shamir, the Prime Minister.

nated by the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Both the US and Labour have said that the subject of the Cairo talks would be Mr Shamir's own plan for elections in the occupied territories, leading to Palestinian self-rule, and not the wider question of the future status of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

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coalition hangs in the balance team. The issue has aroused a meeting, which ended in the salem Palestinians in both today after Labour's decision revolt on the right wing of early hours of yesterday, se-to force a vote in the inner Likud, because of fears that nior Likud officials said: "There can be no question but sial American proposals for salem Arabs will reopen the that Jerusalem is the sovereign question of the status of and united capital of Israel. If Mr Yitzhak Shamir, the Jerusalem and lead to the Therefore Arab residents of rime Minister, and his right-division of the Holy City, with East Jerusalem will not participate in the process re-lated to Israel's peace initiative, either by voting or by being elected."

However, Mr Shamir himself pointed out that this did not affect Mr Baker's demand for an answer over whether East Jerusalem Arabs could take part in the Paletinian negotiating team, as opposed to subsequent elections. The Likud statement, des-

cribed by some as a "conditional acceptance" but seen by Mr Shimon Peres, the Labour leader, as tantamount to a rejection, also called on Labour to agree that the Israeli delegation should withdraw from the Cairo talks immediately if there was "any attempt by the PLO to pene-trate and dominate the process in any way".

But Labour not only accepts fence Minister.

talks and elections, it also assumes that the PLO will necessarily be involved, at least indirectly through consultations with Egypt.

If the inner Cabinet accepts the Baker plan today, the next phase is to be a meeting of the foreign ministers of Egypt, Israel and the US to prepare the way for the Cairo dialogue. Labour takes it as axiomatic that any Palestinian standing in the subsequent elections in the West Bank and Gaza would in reality have PLO approval.

Mr Shamir, who calmly made a tour of the Red Sea resort of Eilat yesterday in the midst of the political storm, had appeared to lob the ball of Middle East diplomacy back into Labour's court through Likud's tough conditions over PLO involvement and the role of East Jerusalem Arabs. Likud appeared to be counting on open differences between Mr Peres, the Labour leader

and the Finance minister, and Mr Yitzhak Rabin, the De-

Spy plane beats speed

record on final flight

Washington (Reuter) - The SR 71 "Blackbird" spy plane,

leaving service after more than two decades of top-secret surveillance missions, shattered the speed record for flying

across the United States yesterday as it flew into retirement.

Flown by a US Air Force pilot, the black, delta-winged aircraft, said to be capable of 2,200 mph, sped from Los Angeles to Washington in one hour and four minutes, beating a record

set in 1983. It will go on public display in the capital on March

17, becoming the centrepiece of a new branch of the Smithsonian Institution's Air and Space Museum.

The Americans' fleet of Blackbirds, successors to the

legendary U2 spy plane, are victims of federal budget cuts. Pentagon planners say the Blackbirds' mission of high-altitude

photography can just as easily be carried out by satellites.

Four held in murder

Nairobi (AFP) — Three ste and a woman who worked for Foreign Minister who was killed last month, have been his murder, according to the Kenya Times. Ouko's partially burned body was found on ment said he had been shot.

Swiss rebuff

Berne (AFP) - The Swiss Parliament has rejected Socialist Party calls to dissolve the political police after what the party called the country's "crisis of confidence" ova secret files.

Tourist bar

Peking (AP) - Tibet has banned tourists until after important anniversaries for Tibetans seeking indepen-dence from China in mid-March, a Western tourist said.

I hugs plan Hong Kong (Reuter) - Hong Kong plans to segregate those who are imposing a "reign of terror" in the crowded Viet-

namese detention centres. American out Peking (AP) - Mr John Cragin, an American business man, has been deported from China after being accused of illegal missionary work.

Assad for Iran Tehran (AFP) - President Assad of Syria is to visit lean to cement cordial ties, the Tehran Times reported.

Flaked out

Oslo (Reuter) - Trains bring mountains to allow this week's world biathlon championships to go ahead near here were briefly delayed - by an avalanche.

Accent on le mot juste to fight franglais

'siege" and "invasion" crop up when + This in turn inspired the creation of

From Philip Jacobson Paris

There is no more staunch defender of the French language than President Mitterrand, who wields it with rare majesty and has never been known to speak anything else in public.

Yesterday he was at the barricades once more, opening the proceedings of the High Council of Francophone Nations and blessing their unceasing - though increasingly unrewarding efforts to protect the tongue of Voltaire, Racine and Corneille from the depredations of English.

For a good few years now the irresistible advance of the language of Shakespeare throughout the world there are an estimated 700 million English speakers - has been a source of alarm and acute irritation to many in France. By stretching the definition somewhat, the language protection lobby here lays claim to 120 million French speakers at most, and with

former strongholds like West Africa beginning to backslide the trend is very definitely down.

English is discussed suggests the French view this as another round in the battle against les anelo-sazons

The fact that practically every level of French society today is also being "contaminated" by English, to use the words of one pressure group, only rubs salt into the wound. In business, science, entertainment and the media. English has become more or less essential, and with 1992 looming France's language schools are doing a roaring trade teaching what M Bernard Billaud, bead of the Commissariat Général de la Langue Française, has disdainfully maintained is not "a

language of culture". Appropriately, it was M Mitterrand who created the Commissariat six years ago, charging it with co-ordinating efforts to "defend" French. Although M Billand denies that this amounts to a declaration of war on any particular foreign language, the frequency with which phrases like

As the command post of France's linguistic Maginot Line, the Commissariat is particularly concerned about the inroads of franglais, periodically issuing dictionaries of official neologisms for the guidance of the nation's civil servants. The latest contained some 2,400 items, many arising from the worldwide use of English in advanced technology.

Thus, software becomes logiciel and digital switching is commutation numerique. More famously, or perhaps risibly, fast food was supposed to give way to pret-à-manger, jumbo jet to gros porteur, boom to boum. The rude world of commerce is beyond the reach of M Billaud's edicts, but under a law passed in 1975 it became an offence, punishable by modest fines, to use English in the promotion or sale of goods and services.

a private vigilante group called the Association Générale pour les Usagenrs de la langue Française, dedicated to hunting down transgressors. Its victims have ranged from the Paris Opera, guilty of printing programmes for Bubbling Brown Sugar in English, to TWA, for its temerity in handing

out boarding cards in English at L'Aéroport Charles de Gaulle, and

Evian for calling a new line in bottled water le fast drink des Alpes. All this might seem very petty to outsiders, but the passionate desire of the French to preserve their sinuous and, properly used, highly precise language reflects a genuine fear that their national identity is under threat. As M Mitterrand's (English speaking) Minister of Culture, M Jack Lang,

once observed, "our very soul" is at stake. After all, this is the country where a recent report suggesting that l'accent circonflex - the little hat over the vowels - might be done away with made headline news.

World Bank education loans will double to £915m a year

From Neil Kelly, Jomtien, Thailand

The World Bank is to double believed the bank had acted were girls, he said. A similar its lending for education in the developing world.

Mr Barber Conable, the president, told the World Conference on Education for All yesterday that education lending would rise to \$1.5 billion (£915 million) a year in the next three years, about 7 per cent of World Bank lending.

would be given priority. Some delegates said the male education had to be government delegates from important change in the removed from societies where 130 countries, is the bigs followed 10 years of pressure from individual governments. education experts and the

United Nations. A senior UN official said he

now because the economic proportion of the world's difficulties of the 1980s and huge international debts had forced low-income countries to cut their education budgets by up to 20 per cent.

would take particular care to number of such children will ensure that programmes it double within a decade withfunded would improve edu-Basic primary education cation for girls. Ingrained bias against fe-

bank's lending policy had girls were kept away from ever devoted to education. school or compelled to leave before finishing their Friday a plan guarantees

Nearly two-thirds of the world's children not at school

billion illiterates were women.

Mr Conable proposed if gent action to provide primary schools for more than 100 million children not receiving Mr Conable said the bank education. Experts say the The conference, attended by

> It hopes to produce by education for all by the year 2000. The expected cost is \$50

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Pansio Time is running out for Tories says Brown

Government's trade record, Mr Gordon Brown, chief Opposition spokesman on trade and industry, said that the Copposition spokesman on trade and industry, said that the copposition spokesman on trade and industry, said that the copposition spokesman on trade and industry, said that the copposition spokesman on trade and industry, said that the copposition asked Mrs Thatcher to take the opposition asked Mrs Thatcher to take the opposition asked interest rates to be raised yet again.

The level of interest rates deminated question-time exchanges history [the DTI] to do nothing. Struggling sunrise industries were looking in vain for help from a sunset department in history [the DTI] to do nothing. Struggling sunrise industries were looking in vain for help from a sunset department in history [the DTI] to do nothing. Struggling sunrise industries were looking in vain for help from a sunset department and at an invisible department. Conservatives were running out of oil, out of ideas, and out of excuses. Now time was running out on them.

Opening an Opposition de-bate on the balance of payments, interest rates and industry, he spoke of members of the Cabi-net leaving their jobs to spend time with their families. Who was left to carry the torch? Mr Nicholas Ridley and the Prime Minister, the last devotees of Thatcherism — the Darby and Joan of the Cabinet (laughter).

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Mr Ridley, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, said that it was the long-term trend, not one month's trade figures, that was important. The trend was

The trade deficit was the result of demand in the economy being in excess of produc-tive capacity. Measures taken to curb excessive demand were

Mr Brewn moved a motion condemning the Government's economic failure and expressing concern at the rising number of business bankruptcies and redundancies and at the investment cuts in the run up to 1992.

He said that Britain's trade deficit was bigger and worse as a share of national income than any competitor country's and it reflected the huge fall in Brit-ain's share of world trade de-spite all the claims that it had stabilized.

The deficit had reinforced the need for Labour's industrial policy of investment in training, search and development and in the regions and its policy of entering the European exchange rate mechanism, after negotiations, to bring interest rates

The deficit had been dismissed in 1987 as due to freak figures, a blip, changes in cus-

Mrs Thatcher said that rates were at the level deemed necessary to press down on inflation and they would stay at whatever level that

Mr Kinnock said that many millions of people would be disappointed by the Printe Minister's refusal to be firm in this matter (Conservative protests).

Her policy was hitting home buyers and businesses but was not outrolling credit. The policies were hurting but definitely not

Mrs Thatcher said that she believed the policies were working and that activity was being reduced. "Mr Kinnock asks me to make further comments on interest rates. That can only help speculature and is a totally irresponsible question on his part" (Conservative

Mr Kinnock: No prime minister has ever been more of a peculators' friend than her (load Labour cheers). At the same time . . she was the enemy of businesses and home buyers. Mrs Thatcher said that business had a higher rate of output than ever before, a higher number of people employed than ever before, and a higher rate of investement. It was Mr Kinnock who was trying to upset it by being the speculators' friend.

on the road to Dorneywood.

Sir Geoffrey no longer talked of economic miracles or supply side transformations. Where he

Where was the Government now? With the Secretary of State for Wales (Mr Peter Walker) clearing his dealer the last remaining Cabinet supporter of an industrial strategy was preparing to leave to spend more time was Secretary of State

The former Secretary of State for Employment (Sir Norman Fowler), after calling the train-ing failure mind boggling, left the Cabinet to spend more time

Mr Ridley had the reputation

as the founder of the flagship policy, the community charge. He was the man who advised

people who wanted an alter-native to tap water to drink Perner (loud laughter).

Mr Ridley had created the

toms procedure, in 1988 as the result of a cross-Channel strike toms procedure, in 1988 as the result of a cross-Channel strike and then a sign of growing investment in Britain.

Last year, the explanation for the 500 billion definit bad had an astonshing conversion on the stand to December 2011.

Last year, the explanation for the £20 billion deficit had been excess demand, then excess investment, then a surge in

The explanation for the January figures was "erratics". Next month it would probably be because Perner was back (Oppo-

The truth was that the erratics were in the House, on the government front bench. It was not a temporary diffi-culty of the past few months, but a problem created over the past 10 years, as Britain had moved from a manufacturing surplus of £2.7 billion to a deficit of £18 billion

Sir Geoffrey Howe had made a speech last week that had been largely ignored by the Tory Party propaganda machine. This barely audible voice from the internal exile of the House of Commons had called for greater emphasis on manufacturing industry.

It was now a department that does nothing with an idealogical commitment that nothing should be done. Mr Ridley had more of a past than a future. Mr Ridley: The last thing I

want to to do is spend more time with my family (loud laughter). Mr Brown said that, judging by the number of ministers who by the minibiles of ministrals who were spending more time with their families, he was beginning to believe that the Tories were the party of the family.

The Government was oblivious to the problems industry was facing through high interest rates. The whole nation outside the Cabinet, and even the deputy Prime Minister outside the Cabinet, recognized the trade deficit problem.

This Government had no policy other than to repeat the mistakes it had already made. It would be a do-nothing Budget and next year there would be another explosion of credit. Another short-term Lawson boom but by a different name.

By the end of the year the best they could hope for was infla-tion at 6 per cent and a trade deficit of about £15 billion, unheard of before the Tories came to power. Who was left to blame? The

churches, Brian Redhead, the Archbishop of Canterbury? Having blamed everyone che there was no else to blame but

Government's resolve to bear down on inflation.

single grain of Labour policy. Mr Brown should spend more time with his family: it was wasted here. It was the long-term trend, not one month's

Talks on German future continue

that a united Germany should remain in Nato came from Mr Tom King, Secretary of State for Defence.

Asked about the implications of unification for Britain's defence policy, Mr King said: We strongly support the Federal German Government's expressed wish that a unified Ger-many should be a member of the Nato Alliance. Consultations on the security implications of unification will continue within Nato and between the four powers and the two Germanies.

Further look at Wales fund

The Government might have to look again at its set up to help the people of North Wales hit by last week's storms, Mrs Thatcher said at question time.

The contribution to the fund had been given in proportion to what the Government understood the damage to be.

The Prime Minister had been pressed on the issue by Sir Anthony Meyer (Clwyd North West, C). He said that the Govern-ment's contribution to the fund had been welcome but it compared unfavourably with what it rightly gave to overseas earthquake victims

Dangers of

Low-flying military air-craft over Yorkshire are stray-ing from the moors and terrorising the people in the foothills and villages, as well as farm animals and domestic pets, Mr Geof-frey Dickens (Littleborough and Saddleworth, C) said during defence questions. RAF pilots should be instructed to keep away from the villages.

Mr Michael Nembert. Under Secretary of State for Defence Procurement, said that pilots must be able to practise low flying. The RAF had an excellent safety

Decision soon on fighter

during questions that he hoped it would be possible to make an announcement "very soon" on the awarding of the final major contract for the radar system for the

Commons (2.30): Ques-MPs' interests; motion on Mr John Browne's suspension. Lords (2.30): Debates on Citizens' Advice Bureaux and

Mr Ridley moved an amend-ment commending the Govern-ment's policies that had led to highest rate of economic growth in the EC, and commending the figures, that was important. The Eastern Europe and supply Brit-ish high quality consumer goods trend was improving. major private investm Export volume in the past three months was 4.5 per cent to the inhabitants there. The trade deficit was the result of demand in the econ-"The best thing for him to do is to hope we will all forget that Eastern Europe did adopt his policies. If you want to see planning in action, go and stand in a bread queue in Bucharest or put your name down for a omy being in excess of produc-tive capacity. Measures taken to curb excessive demand were gher than the previous year. Import volume was 1 per cent lower. The trend was moving He said that Mr Brown's speech had not contained a firmly in the right direction, The story was record in-creases in production, productincluding January's figures. Mr Brown had excelled himtelephone in Warsaw. self in a newspaper article saying that the solution was to rush to

embryo study restrictions

No embryo should ever be generated solely for research purposes, Lord Jakoboviis, the Chief Rabbi, said in the House of Lords during report stage of the Human Pertilization and Embryology Bill.

There was no reason why excess embryos should not be used, once it was impossible for them to develop into human

Research to be done on socalled "spare" embryos should be strictly limited to vital re-search such as the relief of

Very few research programmes might have to be currailed or modified if the

He said that research should He would also exclude the were produced to bring about. In that he was not dealing with morality but here was not dealing with

amendments were made and the most vital tests could be contin-ued unhindered.

grave genetic abnormalities. Research should not include the frivolous — such as a preference for boys or for blue-eyed child-He was moving the first of a series of amendments to that end it was rejected by 214 votes reduce the payload of space

> morality but was making the point that that was not sufficiently urgent to instifu the ficiently urgent to justify the use of human embryos.

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pragmatic view towards the use to be made of an embryo.

amendments which, he said, would permit research under much more limited conditions. They could not adopt a purely

> They had to judge the use of embryonic material on the besis of whether it was a use that could properly be made of material which was part of the human species.

Lord Walton of Detrhant (Ind) said that the amendments were an understandable emotional response, but could not be justified on closer examination, whether on moral, theological or scientific grounds.

If they became law, it would effectively prevent much work now acknowledged by scientists to be essential to the efficiacy of

Chief Rabbi in demand for Tax complaints amuse Labour

To the great amusement of the Labour benches, Conservative MPs queued up at question time to complain about high community charges being set by Labour-controlled councils in their constituencies.

The Prime Minister accused such authorities of "profligate" expenditure and of having little consideration for the pockets of their constituents. Opening the exchanges, Mr Michael Martin (Giasgow, Springburn, Lab) said that this morning, BBC radio had stated that the people of England would be 30 per

"Her friends are deserting her on the Conservative side of the House. Why doesn't she give up with the irrational obsession to implement the poll tax?" (Labour cheers).

Mrs Thatcher said that the Today

programme had confirmed a figure she gave to the House on February 20. If local authorities were going to spend up to £3 billion extra over and above what the Government considered reasonable, that would be equivalent to a 35 per cent increase in domestic rates. "I am delighted that the BBC and I are for once in total agreement." The increase came from authorities spending way above what they

Mr Jeremy Hayes (Harlow, C) said that it really was the most rank hyoperisy of leftwing Harlow council to try to pin the blame of a £425 community charge on the Government when it was the highest spending authority in the country.

"Although the next few weeks will show some stormy weather, eventually the public will realize that the community charge is there to protect them . . . (loud Labour

Mrs Thatcher said that the lesson would be learnt that it was Labour authorities that

were the high spenders. Mr Jeanthan Seyeed (Bristol East, C) aid that in Avon, because of incompetence and overspending, the local authority, controlled by the Labour and Liberal

parties, was likely to set a budget resulting in a community charge of more than £500. Mrs Thatcher said that, according to the Asociation of County Councils, Avon was one of the top 10 county council over-spenders. "He rightly contrasts the position

good Tory council".

Mr Malcoba Brace (Gordon, Lib Dem) said it was a little strange that Tories were squealing now about the poll tax but they had done nothing for Scotland. The tax was unfair and unworkable. A roof tax was no fairer and no more workable. If income tax was the fairest way of taxing for central government, it should be for local government too.

Mrs Thatcher said that the domestic rates had been revalued in Scotland after seven years and there was an outcry far worse than anything seen from the community charge.

Mr David Amess (Basildon, C) said that the high charge in Basildon was the result of the authority's subsidizing the theatre by £1.6 million, building a huge civic centre and sending everyone a Valentine's card at a cost of £46,000. Would she charge-cap Basildon?

Mrs Thatcher said that capping was a matter for the Secretary of State (Mr Chris Patten). "He will not hesitate to use his powers where there is excessive spending."

Mr Tom King, Secretary of State for Defence, told MPs

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tions: Foreign and Common wealth Office. Debate on on the pressure on NHS

Tory faces the disaffected faithful

Thatcher makes a certain impact

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The Prime Minister made her customary mid-term impact on the Tory campaign in the Mid-Staffordshire by election as the debate switched from the politax to great elicators of our times. Mr Charles Prior, the Conservative candidate struggling to protect a 14,650 majority, was 20 votes light no sooner had be began his stroll around the market in Rageley. That Bloody Woman, the agent of so many Conservative by-election set-backs. has struck agein.

Assad for li The messenger was Mr Clifford Shepperd, a retired clark, aged 65, who sported a tweed cap and lifelong support for the Conservative Party. As the trievision canaras rolled, he impressed to an arbein to Mr Prior. pressed on an anhappy Mr Prior why he would be staying at home

Mrs Margaret Thatcher had done some wonderful things, but success had gone to her head.

"I believe Mrs Thatcher is going to cast you this seat. She has become so dictatorial. She has done some tremendous good for this country, but unless she gets off her high horse, I won't

be voting for you." Mr Shepperd added that he knew at leat 20 fellow Tories who took the same view, going on to further discomfort Mr Prior by likening the Prime Minister to Hitler and Mus-

The country had needed strong leadership over the past 10 years. Mr Prior responded, 10 years. Mr Prior respon and Mrs Thatcher had restored Britain's reputation in the world. The Government was a team and Mrs Thatcher listened to ministers with a case to make. "I think you have got a great team but a lousy leader", Mr Sheppard replied.

Mr Prior had clearly passed his loyalty test, which was just as well because earlier this nephew of Lord Prior, the former Cabinet minister and Tory wet, had been leaving room for death

In a stimulating defence of blushes of Mr Michael Portillo, what at times resembled Labour's anti-car transport policy.

Mr Prior parted company with the County Howarth, his case-



Onward Christian Soldiers: Miss Joan Lestor, MP (left), singing hymns with Mrs Sylvia Heal, the Labour candidate, at Flaxely County Primary School in Rugeley yesterday.

paign minder and the robustly Thatcherite MP for neigh-bouring Cannock and Barnt-

"Personally, I am a great train man", he said, apparently oblivi-ous to Mrs Thatcher's penchant for bullet-proof Daimlers.

"I have always used trains straight into the city centre if one can go by train, then have a good bus service around the centre, that's the kind of choice I

"But I do recognize that other people ... I know that Gerald is a at user of his car and does not It was left to Mr Howarth to heal the breach and spare the blushes of Mr Michael Portillo,

MID-STAFFS BY-ELECTION 1987 General election: J Heddle (C), 28,644; C St Hill (Lab) 13,990; T Jones (L/All), 13,114;

J Bazeley (Independent C) 836. C mai: 14,654. much would be revealed later in

the year in a white paper. Mr Howarth confessed using the InterCity service to London, which, he said, was now making money, thanks to Mr

ship as it unveiled its can-didates, Dr Christopher Abell, a GP from East Dereham in The new party, formed five weeks ago, has been unable to find a standard bearer among

Dr Judy Gilley, a Londoner and one of its founder members, because of the influence of Mr Philip Jones, chairman of Staffordshire Family Practitio-

Mr Jones is also chairman of

the local Conservative associ-

the 40 or so family doctors in the

The NHS Supporters Party, which in embryonic form scooped up 857 votes in the Tory loss to Labour in the Vale of Glamorgan by-election last May, also denomined dictation.

But Mr Jones proved a reluction that Mr Jones proved a relu

cay, C), moving the Bill, said that every day millions of

A Private member's Bill to give tax relief to working mothers was opposed ferociously by a Conservative MP. Cries of "disgraceful" inter-rupted a speech against the Bill by Mr Ivor Stanbrook (Orping-ton). He said that mothers who went to work were being selfish and inflicting psychological in-jury on their children as well as themselves.

The introduction of the Bill was approved by 125 votes to

Mrs Teresa Gorman (Billeri-

'Final nail in Radio 2 coffin'

The BBC hierarchy had driven the final nail into the coffin of Radio 2 by condemning it to a Commons adjournment bate late on Monday night. He said that the BBC had

done that despite admitting the size of the audience and recognizing the need to provide a music-cum-news-cum-documentary programme. Millions of people listened to Radio 2 each week. Many of

them were already concerned at the deterioration of standards and the general level of enter-tainment on Radio 2, and would find the move from medium wave to FM the last straw.

Many people would not be able to receive light music programmes, and some did not receive FM radio at all. Many car radios would require constant re-tuning on long journeys. Mr Peter Lloyd, Under Sec retary of State, Home Office, said that the Government's own policy was to introduce more competition into broadcasting in the interests of listeners, and of viewers, too. That would not only offer more services to listen to but also would provide a healthy stimulus to the BBC.

The BBC was rapidly building FM transmitters to bring FM services to those areas that did not have them. Some Radio 2 listeners did not have FM radio sets, but they were a minority.

treated as a tax "perk" if the woman was earning more than £8,500 a year. home without pay. "There is overwhelming evidence to show that most mothers of woman.

women performed the in-credible trick of going out to work and at the same time managing their home and fam-ilies. Forty five per cent of all Though some large employers, including the Treasury, provided creche facilities, there would always be a majority of jobs were carried out by women, the great majority married women working in small com-panies which could not provide

Expenses reasonably incurred in looking after children or a Mr Stanbrook said that if the in looking after children or a home should be treated as a business expense.

If employers provided a creche or nursery, that was

thereby cause psychological injury to themselves as well as their children. Some might be compelled to do so, but it should not blind them to the fact that depriving young people of love and affection within a stable family unit is the cause of much social difficult, reflected in the increase in crime, vandalism, divorce and plain cruelty to

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Europe on the road to revolution

Europe's great natural barriers of mountains and sea are being overcome by astonishing new road and rail

systems.

Michael Dynes

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development in transport since the days of the

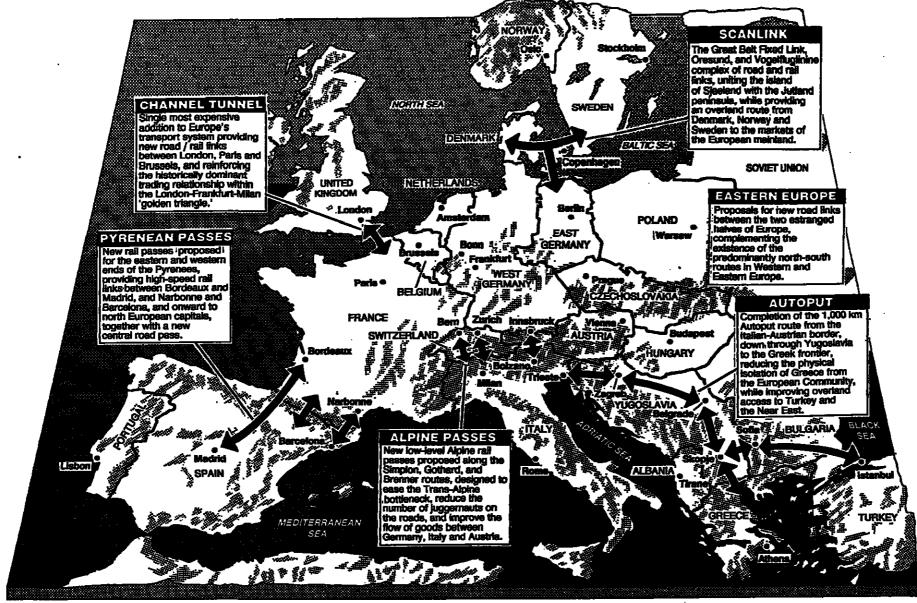
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lmost imperceptibly, de Gaulle's Europe des riven by territorial boundaries, ideological tensions, and a formidable array of water, mountain, and land barriers — is painstakingly giving birth to the European Commis-sions' vision of a Europe sans

The combination of the European Community's 1992 programme, the collapse of the East European dictatorships, and the determination of the six-member European Free Trade Association to participate in the Community's promised economic renaissance, is giving substance to the vision of an economically and geographically integrated Europe from the Atlantic to the Urals.

While attention has tended to focus on the acrimonious controversies surrounding the European Commission's single market programme, what level of access should be granted to the EFTA countries, and the formidable challenge of rebuilding Eastern Europe, very little notice is being given to efforts to bridge the "missing links" in Europe's transport infrastructure.

Yet the historic natural barriers inhibiting European integration, from the English Channel, to the ranges of the Alps and Pyrenees, the water masses of the Baltic Straits, the physical isolation of Greece, together with the separate economic development of the eastern half of the continent, are in



the process of being eliminated.

Viewed in isolation, each of the great physical barriers appears to have little more than regional consequences, impairing the movement of goods and people between one country and its neighbour. Collectively, it is claimed, they have fettered trade and commerce across the continent, while condemning the outerlying regions to suffer the costs "peripherality".

Almost without us noticing, the transport revolution of the last decade has filled our retail outlets with tomatoes from Spain, fridges from Italy, cooked meats from Germany, and cookies from Denmark. But once Europe's remaining transport missing links are inated, the range of products from all over the continent is likely to explode.

hished by the Royal Institution of

Chartered Surveyors, Transport In The Nineties: The Shaping of Europe, transport analyst Terence Bendixson describes the Channel Tunnel - the single most expen-

sive addition to Europe's transport - as the "first great infrastructure project to come out of the New Europe". "The importance of what the tunnel stands for cannot be exag-

gerated," he says. "It breaks new ground politically, financially, and in transport terms. It is a physical symbol of Britain's commitment to European union. It is evidence that the politically sensitive cost issue can be nearly side-stepped by relying on the private sector ..., (and) it provides an opportunity for British Rail to become like British Airways, a major European transport corporation."

Moreover, the tunnel will re-

inforce the historically dominant trading relationships within the so-called London-Frankfurt-Mi-In the influential report publan "golden triangle", at the very

moment when northern Europe's economic pre-eminence is being challenged by the emergence of a European sunbelt, running along the Mediterranean from Barcelona to Trieste, and by the lure of perestroika and the promise of the

east.
With the Channel Tunnel well under way, albeit stumbling from one financial crisis to another, attention has shifted to overcoming the second great European transport bottleneck - the Alps. The three main rail-tunnel passes, the Simplon, Gothard, and Brenner, which serve the flow of goods and people between Germany, Italy, and Austria, are full to

hey are all are being examined for upgrading. The goal is to excavate three new tunnels at much lower levels, along the Simplon route linking Spiez to Brig in Switzerland; the Gothard route linking Zurich and Lugano

on the Italian frontier; and Innsbruck to Bolzano in Italy, thereby providing the much needed increased capacity, while at the same time enabling rail traffic to travel faster and at lower cost.

Negotiations between Germany, Italy, and Switzerland over route alignments are still in progress. But they will not come cheap. The estimated cost for 60km of tunnel for the new Simplon Pass, the least ambitious of the three projects, is some £3,000 million - and as the Channel Tunnel has demonstrated, this is likely to be on the conservative side.

Nevertheless, pressure for the new tunnels is rapidly, becoming irresistable, Mr Benditson says: Italy is cut off from the rest of Europe because of the Alps, German industry is facing transport bottlenecks because of the lack of capacity, and Switzerland is becoming exasperated at having to endure the diabolical environmental problems of increased road the benefits."

Since the accession of Spain and Portugal to the Community, work has also begun on taming the Pyrenees. The existing road and rail routes, running along the Mediterranean to the east, and the Atlantic Ocean to the west, to-gether with the two central road routes from Pau to Zaragoza, and Toulouse to Barcelona, are in need of upgrading and increased

Proposals are already on the table for new central road tunnel schemes, along with high-speed rail links between Bordeaux and Madrid, and between Narbonne and Barcelona, linking with the embryonic French Tran à Grande

A shortlist of priority road and rail schemes is now being drawn up which could ultimately

lead to the creation of a Manchester to Moscow pan-European highway

Vitesse network, and opening up the prospect of inter-continental high-speed rail services between Madrid, Paris and London.

Completion of the multi-billion pound Scanlink, a composite programme of road and rail bridges and tunnels, will leap over the Baltic Straits, link Scandinavia and Denmark's eastern island with mainland Europe, and effectively end centuries of geographical isolation.

Scanlink entails three separate schemes, the Great Belt Fixed Link, the Oresund Tunnel, and the Vogelfluglinie - literally "bird's flight line", which are as important to the trade and commerce

of Denmark and the rest of Scandinavia as the Channel Tunnel is to the economies of Britain and France.

Work is well advanced on the Great Belt project, a combined road-rail bridge-tunnel between the island of Sjaelland and the Jutland peninsula. While plans to complete the Oresund, across the sea between the island of Sjaelland. and Sweden; and the Vogelflug-linic, between Sjaelland and Germany, are next on the agenda.

Increasing attention is also being paid to the predicament of Greece, a Community member, physically separated from its European partners by Yugoslavia. At present, the 1,000 km Autoput route, Yugoslalvia's equivalent of the MI, running down the spine of the country, is the only inter-

From the Italian and Austrian borders it meanders south to Belgrade, via Zagreb, and on to the Greek frontier, with branches off to Sofia and Istanbul.

ugoslav authorities have already improved the first section to Bel-; grade, and have been slowly extending it.
down to Skopje, with the help of the Community's European Investment Bank.

The Autoput is part of Eastern' Europe's nascent motorway system, designed, with the support of the United Nation's Economic Commission for Europe, to link the Baltic with the Black Sea. It is also a classic illustration of how, since the end of the Second World War, the two estranged halves of Europe have put money into north-south routes - a policy which has been turned on its head in the wake of glasnost.

Without minimizing the importance of eliminating the Community's missing links, Karl Van Miert, the European Community issioner for Transport, is currently preparing some rather radical proposals for improving road and rail transport links between the Community and its eastern neighbours.

Having appointed an official to . identify what will be needed to. link east with west, Van Miert will . shortly be seeking support from . EC governments for a new "seedcorn fund", to be spent on: East European transport infrastructure projects, using surpluswestern construction capacity.

Also in preparation is a trans-European transport congress, to be convened in Berlin towards the end of the year, designed to draw up a shortlist of priority road and rail schemes, which could ul-timately lead to the creation of a Manchester to Moscow pan-European highway.

Commission officials are enthucan't reduce distances but we can overcome their cost," one trans-port official said. They are dismissive of recent criticisms that by improving links from the golden triangle to the peripheral regions, they will increase the dominance of the more advanced economies. while undermining weaker.

Hugh Rees, an official in the commission's Transport Directorate insists: "That is like saying we need bad roads to promote economic activity in the the Community's poorer regions. New businesses will only be attracted by improved transport links. No one can seriously suggest going back to the horse and cart?"

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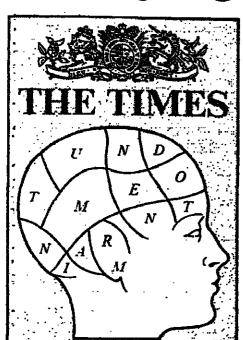
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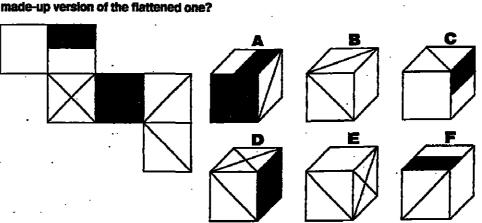
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In a 200 metre race Fred beats Bill by 10 metres. They decide to run the race again. Bill starts on the 200 metre start-line but Fred starts exactly 15 metres behind it. They both run the race at exactly the same speed as before. Can you tell us who won the second race?

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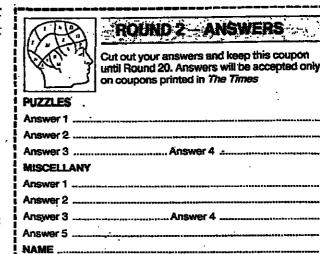
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1. The Colossus of Rhodes represented which god? 2. In baseball, who was known as the "Yankee

3. What lake in the United States was known to the indians as

'Andiatarocte''? 4. Who published his first novel, The White Peacock,

Where can you find what is believed to be the only examples of Classical Greek wall painting?



Volumes to snooze over, Chapter 2

A month or of The Times unique oppostunity, quite possibly sponsored by English Heritage, to take a glimpse at my private collection of the world's most useless books. But the collection is farfrom hausted. Here are one or two

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jeopardized. But the rest more for you to snooze over at even more unnerving, mainly because the other underpants on display are filled by rock 1. Diary of an Election by stars rather than bed-posts. Carol Thatcher (1983): "My Or, to be more accurate, they

emotions were muddled be- were filled by rock stars. tween amazement at bearing that the balloon had gone up, and horror at having my slumbers interrupted with such a bombshell." Thus Carol Thatcher recounts her feelings upon hearing that her mother had called the 1983 general election. This breathless pot-pourri of mixed metaphors balloons and bombs its way through the rest of this Priest and Pete Way of UFO. account of life with Mum on

4. Men ARE Pigs by Bueno de absent, and grammar takes a Mesquita (1927): Many

Ten years in rock is the equivalent of two centuries in any other art form. The book should be titled Ex-Rock Stars in Their **Underpants**

really is," writes Carol. She books have been the backbone later criticizes her mother's of publishers' lists for well treatment on the Sue Lawley phone-in with a swipe of her Men ARE Pigs consists of lead-filled prose: "The best way to describe what went on the air is that it represented an example of the most crass nastiness and discourtesy shown to a Prime Minister on a television programme." Towards the end of this brief book, Carol has her own question-and-answer session

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with her mother, who appears strangely standoffish: Carol: "What, as Britain's first woman Prime Minister, have you brought to the job?" Margaret Thatcher, "I'm not the person to answer that

Carol: "OK. How's it changed Margaret Thatcher: "I'm not

the person to answer that question either . . . Carol then gives Sue Lawley a lesson in niceness and

courtesy by asking this uniquely soft-hitting question: How, after four years, when all your predecessors have looked positively knackered and exhausted, can you look ounger and prettier when you go on television?"

3. Rock Stars in Their Underpants by Paula Yates (1980): This short book, "photo-graphed and compiled" by Paula Yates, is a collection of Polaroid snaps, It is dedicated Bob (Geldof) whose underpants were the inspiration for this book". Above the dedication is an almost scientifically vivid photo of Mr Geldof's underpants -Kack with turquoise and

post. These were the days before Live Aid, and had photographic evidence such as this been placed in the hands of the Devil's Advocate, Bob's canonization may well have been

of the book is

is the equivalent of two centuries in any other art form, and now, alas, the book should more accurately be titled Ex-Rock Stars in Their Underpants. Somehow, their underpants have outlasted the fame of Leif Garrett, Richard Jobson of The Skids, Bebe Buell, Rob Halford of Judas

people seem to think that the throw-away novelty humourous cent invention. This Ţhis in reply to an earlier book called Women Are Cats by an anonymous perately funny joke

dim-witted aphorisms such as Men love champagne. They frequently treat their wives to 'sham pain' too"; "Every man has some vice. Some are cruel, some are unfaithful, and some are fat"; and "Men may be harum-scarum, but a harem wouldn't scare 'em".

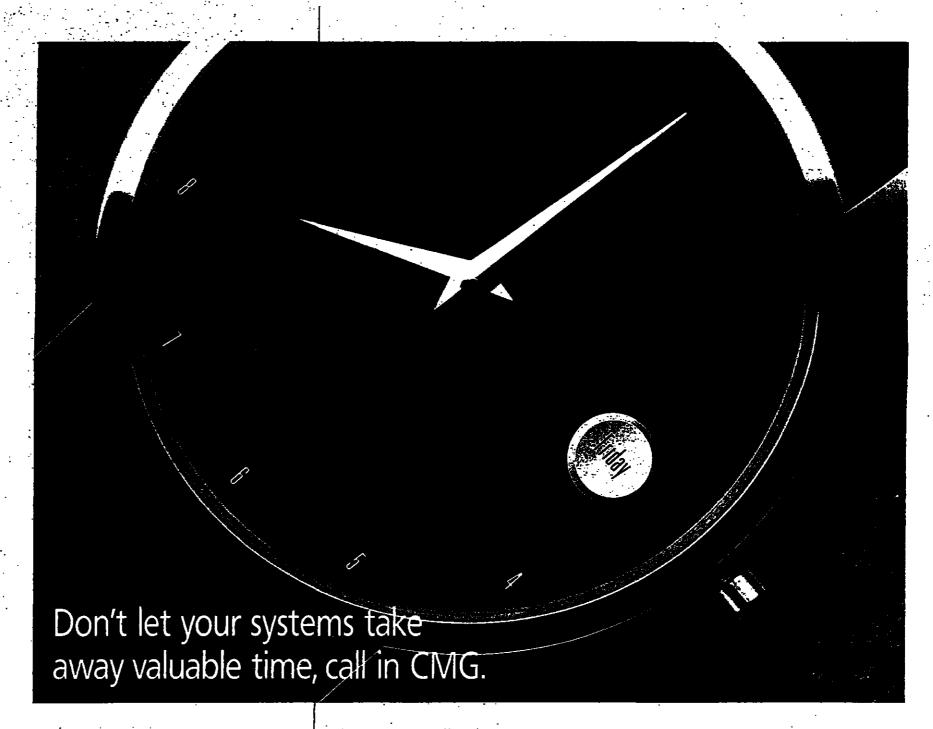
5. By God's Will - A Portrait of The Sultan of Brunei by Lord Chalfont (1989): Did you know that the Sultan of Brunei exhibited "quiet generosity" at school, before going on to be "extremely popular" at Sandhurst, before emerging as an intelligent, thoughtful political figure of considerable

You didn't? Then you haven't read Lord Chalfont's adoring portrait.

Lord Chalfont, a non-executive director of Shandwick pic, the public relations firm handling the account of the Brunci Government, concludes that the Sultan "has provided an enviable standard of living for his two hundred thousand people".

Quite why his lordship should be so envious of these shanty-dwellers is never wholly explained.

The rather more enviable standard of living that his 200,000 people have provided for the Sultan of Brunei is duly neglected, for this, after all, is the biography of "a serious



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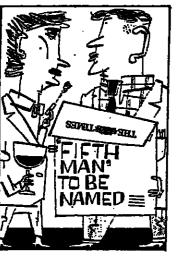
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hen the England footballers won the World Cup for the first and only time in 1966, the national cuphoria was widely thought to have enhanced the popularity of Harold Wilson's government. If Mrs Thatcher hopes to derive a similar benefit from England's first Test victory over the West Indies in 16 years, I have to tell her that the Opposition is better placed to enjoy any electoral advantage. For England's hero, Devon Malcolm, the black pace bowler who dismissed the great Viv Richards twice in the Test, owes his place in the England side to Margaret Beckett, the Labour MP for Derby South. Two years ago when the Test and County Cricket Board changed its rules to limit the number of overseas players permitted in county teams, Malcolm was in danger of losing his place with Derbyshire. Although resident in Britain since his schooldays, he did not have a British passport, and the Home Office was showing no sense of urgency in considering his application. Beckett wrote to David Waddington, then Home Office Minister, predicting that he would one day play for England if only the Home Office bestirred itself. Her letter did the trick, and the rest is spread-eagled stumps and sporting history.

ore sporting notes. Can it be coincidence that the two days devoted to the committee stage of the Student Loans Bill in the Honse of Lords have been set an entire week apart? Lord "Bertie" Denham, the Government chief whip, has earmarked next Monday for consideration of the Bill, which the Government is desperate to pass before Easter. The second day, however, is not until March 20. In between is the three-day Cheltenham Gold Cup race meeting, a traditional attraction for lordships on the Government benches. It seems that Denham is playing safe, doubtless recalling the row a few years ago when a few Tory peers had to fillibuster for hours before the crucial division on the abolition of the GLC, while enough of their colleagues to get the measure through made their way back from the Royal Enclosure at Ascot.

7 ith Douglas Hurd, the Foreign Secretary, absent in Hungary, ju-nior minister William Waldegrave was deputizing in Cabinet last week, Anxious to impress, he offered a report on the Nicaraguan elections. No need, Mrs Thatcher interrupted, we know all about that. "Humiliating defeat for the Kin-nocks," she added, allowing herself the briefest of gloats before passing on to the

BARRY FANTONI



knew immediately it would lead to trouble. Last week, Labour MP Joe Ashton wrote a funny piece in Westminster's House Magazine about his "exploitation" of his secretary. She is, he said, on call from eight in the morning until eleven at night and even works Sunday mornings, taking dictation. She deals with half of his constituency case work, which voters in Bassetlaw have discovered she can do more quickly and efficiently than their elected representative. This paragon of virtue is none other than Ashton's wife, Maggie. But the article has produced a feminist response. Linda McDougall, writing in the latest issue of the magazine, says: "We all want more women in the House. Joe Ashton should resign immediately and let Mrs Ashton have a chance at the job she could obviously do so much better than him."

• Peter Walker could stay on as Welsh Secretary and still have more time with his family. The Welsh Office, as he told MPs on Monday, has just introduced a holiday play scheme for children of staff.

t a press conference yesterday, Labour environment spokesman David Blunkett read out a list of Conservative authorities that have breached government targets for the poli tax. As he got to Windsor and Maidenhead (which has overshot by £160), he described the falling out among erstwhile Thatcherites over the poll tax as "dog eats dog". At that very moment his guide dog, Offa, decided to vomit all over the carpet. What can it mean?

Alec Ross urges John MacGregor to share his responsibilities

Give the teachers a voice

The Government has accepted Lord Chilver's report on teacher's pay and, though this may well offer some relief, can never match what industry will pay for a shortage-subject graduate. We can, however, seek to repair the damage done to teaching in recent years by restoring to it some of those features which used to make it a more attractive profession. The problem goes far beyond pay; it is one of morale and job satisfaction. It is not that the teachers do not support the Government's reforms; indeed, as Lord Chilver pointed out, it is because they want these reforms to succeed that they are depressed by the way they are being

In his visits to schools Lord Chilver noted that "too many teachers feel that their efforts are undervalued by the Government, their employers, parents and society." Last month's report from the Senior Chief Inspector made the same point.

He felt that there "was a risk that the implementation of the national curriculum and its related assessment and reporting may undermine teachers' job satisfaction and morale...Too much prescription and too detailed an external scrutiny of the work of teachers will lead to impossible work-loads, bureaucratic inflexibility and a de-skilled teach-

ing force. We are beginning to pay the price for undermining the status of the teaching profession. On the unions' side the damage was to some extent self-inflicted, since their strike action led to the Teachers' Pay and Conditions Act 1987 which took away all negotiating rights. On the professional side the teachers were offered a General Teaching Council in 1970 but the unions could not agree on its form. Instead there were in the 1970s and early 1980s advisory councils with teacher members nominated by the unions and similar

tative bodies came, however, to be disparaged since they smacked of union power. They were replaced by bodies consisting of government nominees working to criteria set by the Secretary of State.

We thus have a command

structure in which the nomenklatura consists of officials, hired executives and nominated individuals of the approved persuasion. Teachers no longer have any sense of being able to shape their own profession. Management styles appropriate to small industries have been misapplied to a great public service. Teachers are regarded not as professionals to be consuited but as trade unionists to be defeated or a workforce to be

Perhaps, from the professional point of view, the most counterproductive of the new enactments was the requirement that all teachers' activities be schedhours per annum of "directed time". Many teachers found it insulting that they should be clocked on and off like bluecollar workers. As a result, Saturday morning games and many a school play promptly disappeared.

There are sound arguments for separating the work and concerns of unions from those of professional bodies, but these do not justify dispensing with the latter, which should set and maintain standards. There are, of course, matters for which the Secretary of State has a statutory responsibility, such as entry and dismissal from the profession. But he has too many of these responsibilities because there has never been a professional body to undertake them. To-day's professional bodies should not be monopolistic cartels, and teachers are the first to call for representation of the general public interest on any teaching council that might be created. There are matters upon which a council could advise (supply of teachers) and others which it could determine (professional misconduct). All this would only be possible, however, if a Sec. retary of State were willing to share some of his considerable powers. Meanwhile the descent to the ludicrous 1,265 hours is far too easy without a professional body to curb the wilder fantasies of the incompletely informed.

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The most important task however, is to make the teaching profession attractive to new recruits again. John MacGregor must rehabilitate the profession as a profession. In the public services, quality is determined not by statutory orders but by what the professional does at the delivery point of the service. We must restore to this sadly abused profession the recognition it once had. Mr MacGregor should establish a forum in which the idea of a General Teaching Council could be discussed; a proposal for such a council, drawn up by a group of 17 teacher associations, is already on his desk.

The author is Academic Secretary of the Universities Council for the Education of Teachers.

Mary Dejevsky believes Sunday's elections may have sown the seeds of future conflict

Russians versus Kremlin?

unday's elections in three of the Soviet Union's biggest republics could easily be dismissed as just another exercise in pseudo-democracy designed to keep the Communist Party in power. Not only were nearly 80 per cent of candidates party members, but most of the operation has to be repeated in 10 days' time because so few seats were

eaching has never been well-paid. The rewards it

offers are of a different

kind; take those rewards away

and you have a major supply and

quality problem. There is grow-

ine evidence of declining morale

in the profession. Primary edu-cation is still attracting excellent

candidates, though too few have

a background in mathematics,

science or technology. On the

secondary side the picture is less

favourable, especially in the "shortage" subjects. In 1989

insufficient recruits were forth-

coming and the universities

produced 100 fewer mathemat-

ics and 80 fewer physics teachers

Registrations for entry next

September for mathematics teacher training are running below last year's level at this

time and amount to less than

half the number of places avail-

able. Science as a whole has only

1,000 applications for the 1,800

places available. Clearly the job

is not sufficiently attractive. We

must also remember that in the

future the mathematics graduate

inclined to teach will not only

have to reject the golden hello

from accountancy firms, but also

take out a student loan for the

privilege of being trained for the

than in 1988.

What happened on Sunday, however, should not lightly be dismissed. The strong reformist showing in the preliminary results from the Russian Federation - by far the most populous republic in the Soviet Union - is evidence that traditional political alignments are changing. Soviet voters have become more sophisticated.

Taken together with current shifts in the political structure from Communist Party to state power and from the centre to the republics - this realignment may transform the nature of political power in Moscow.

Last April, the Soviet Union's (for the Congress of People's Deputies) became a protest against the all-embracing power of the party. Nearly a year later the element of protest is still there: any candidate who admitted to being a full-time party apparatchik was at a great disadvantage. But voters have become more discriminating. They are just as certain about what they do not want — more of the same old collectivist jargon

to think about what they might want instead. Amid antique rhetoric and Utopian hopes, the outlines of a multi-party Soviet Union are emerging.

They are difficult to discern merely from a scrutiny of the candidates standing for the Russian Federation's parliament. Apart from the preponderance of Communist Party members, most candidates agreed on the general need for reform, and all pledged to work for a combination of ends they could not possibly deliver: zero inflation, full employment, the continu ation of co-operative enterprises (but only within certain limits), and decent supplies of food and consumer goods.

For the first time, however, candidates divided into policy blocs which could be perceived by voters as representing the right, left and centre of a distinct political spectrum. To the right of centre (in the Soviet definition) was a bloc calling itself the Social Patriotic Movement tending to traditional attitudes with a reform element added; to first multi-candidate elections the left of centre was the bloc for a Democratic Russia calling for faster reform and more democratic institutions. In the centre were those who identified themselves with neither bloc but might reasonably have called themselves Gorbachovites.

Extremes of opinion were barely represented. Those on the extreme right (Russian nationalists) chose in most cases not to identify themselves; candidates who did received barely 10 per daily contradicted by élitist prac- cent of the vote. The extreme left

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either failed to have its nominations accepted or boycotted the

The choice available to the voters therefore was far more centrist in complexion than it would have been had all groups, and not just those officially registered, been allowed to nominate

One bloc, the "left of centre" Democratic Russia, transcended the issue of party membership. Claiming to unite the inner-party radicalism of Boris Yeltsin with the uncompromising democratic spirit of Dr Andrei Sakharov, it comprised party and non-party can-

It has long been an oversimplification to regard membership or non-membership of the Communist Party as the single indicator of an individual's political position. As the ideological content of party

the careerist aspect has increased, party membership has become more like membership of the established church in an earlier England: a necessary accoutrement for anyone aspiring to power, and testimony less to an individual's beliefs than to his standing as a public-spirited and socially responsible member of society.

A month ago, political divisions within the party came out into the open with the inauguration of the Democratic Platform group. One critic described it as Leninism without Lenin, another as social democracy by another name. The emerging alignment, however, reflects precisely the right-left blocs competing on Sunday.

Traditional communists defend the party's right to compete for, if not their entitlement to the leading role in society; the Democratic Platform believes the Communist Party has no special role and should be like any other party. Traditionalists want a version of inner-party discipline, a version - modernized, if necessary - of democratic centralism. The Democratic Platform wants inner-party democracy with the right to form organized factions and protection for the rights and opinions of minorities.

The new alignment is now manifest in almost every aspect of Soviet politics. Party members adhering to the Democratic Platform were, by and large, backed by the parliamentary candidates' bloc for a Democratic Russia — as were many non-party candidates. The same people tended also to be supporters or members of Yeltsin's radical Inter-Regional Group of Supreme Soviet deputies, where the same right-left split emerged nearly a year ago.

The Democratic Russia bloc has opponents among party

traditionalists and among ordinary people whose ancestors shed blood for the revolution and who see market economics as the beginning of cut-throat economic competition, with riches for the few and penury for the many. These people favour the Social-Patriotic Movement, with a few splintering to the extreme "right". Already, the Soviet Union has new political parties in the making.

n the new Russian Federation parliament, the bloc allegiances on which the elections were partially fought are likely to play a more significant role than in the federal Supreme Soviet, which was elected a year earlier. At the same time, because of the shift of power from the centre to the republics, the Russian Federation parliament is likely to have more power and more influence than its ineffectual predecessor.

If, as seems probable, the new Russian Federation parliament is significantly more reformist in composition than the federal Supreme Soviet, then the two bodies could be on collision

Anywhere else in the Soviet _: Union, such a distinction might be considered no more than a healthy expression of regional differences. In the Russian Federation, which has more than third of the country's population and a large part of its natural resources - and its capital is also the seat of federal government this difference spells conflict, or a new paralysis of power.

Just as Mr Gorbachov is moving, with his plans for an executive presidency, to end the current paralysis at the top and to ensure a shift of power from the party apparatus to the state - (eventually, perhaps, to the federal elected parliament), the parliament in the biggest and crucial republic is changing its composition and its role, and it too will have its own executive president. In a year's time or even sooner, Moscow could see the battle of two presidents for --control of what remains of the Soviet Union.

Self-denigration that could be self-fulfilling

Peter Stothard reports on America's feeling of inferiority to Japan

Bath County, Virginia
ashingtonians love to
talk about their weakening international influence, and to contrast their countrymen's inadequacies with the wisdom of the Czechs, the weightiness of the Poles, the glamour of the Gorbachovites and, of course, the superiority of the Japanese.

Jobs in national denigration

have been booming since the victory in the Cold War. The television networks have an insatiable appetite for gloom, even though andiences have not. When pundits wish to refresh themselves after the daily urban grind, they like nothing more than out-of-town meetings with other Washingtonians; and one of their favourite destinations is here in Bath County, a four-hour drive from the capital, a place whose name and principal business are borrowed from the English spa.

There could be no more

appropriate place for a navelgazer. These waters have soothed temperaments as different as is inferior, how money-in-thethose of Thomas Jefferson and bank has become a sick joke, and Lyndon Johnson. Presidents how the single-parent-multiple-Woodrow Wilson and Eisendrug-using family has become the national norm. hower, even Warren Harding and Richard Nixon, were water-

takers. Each had troubles by the among the Washington political side of which those of 1990 classes is one of Japan's most should seem slight, yet to listen to the worries of Washingtonians successful exports. The set text is a tract co-authored by Akio at rest here, one would think that Morita, founder of Sony, and allowed to circulate in America only in an unofficial (and therefore all the more attractive) President Bush and Toshiki photocopied form. It accuses the US of national laziness and at the rather less contemplative myopia, leading to a future in which "you may never catch up with us".

> The message may be sinking in. A recent opinion poll suggested that almost half the American people believe their economy is smaller than that of

. I tested this extraordinary thesis on a dozen assorted Washingtonians. In my amateur

sample, seven said that Japan, whose purchasing power is about a third that of the US, was the bigger national business. When asked which had the more productive citizens, only two of my 12 backed their fellow countrymen. When told that their own average annual productivity is a third higher

than that of their competitors in Japan, they looked at me as though I were mad. Fortunately, in Bath County, I had the chance to put the same questions to people who live in

an area which for years resisted the automobile and which still has no traffic lights. Here, only one in 11 respondents said that Japan was the larger economy, and only three said its workers were more productive. It may be tempting to charac-

terize these answers as rural complacency. This is a place of avowedly feudal character, where the standards of service

which once attracted Mrs Vanderbilt have not been lowered to

match less stringent demands. The workers here know something directly of the Japanese, whose enthusiasm for golf has put them at the top of the list of foreign visitors to the Homestead spa, the principal local employer. At least half the staff are sons and daughters of those who worked here when 363 Japanese diplomats in the US were interned at the Homestead after the 1941 attack on Pearl Harbour.

But the essential difference between the attitudes of Bath and Washington today is not their different perceptions of Japan; it is that Bath does not feel the need to be on the leading edge of fashion.

There is concern here about future trends, particularly about the lack of investment in education. Daniel Ingalls Jr, the fourth generation of his railroad-

stead resort, is eloquent about the American failure to spend money on the minds of the future. But he does not share the metropolitan illusion that the battle has already been lost.

To some Washingtonians even those who lap up its delights - Bath County is a symbol of an awful future. Its economic mainstays — a high-employing hotel complex and a highly profitable but low-employing hydro-electricity employing hydro-electricity plant—were described to me as a plant—of how Britain (and the beautiful and the beautiful an failed to reform in the face of the eastern threat, President Bush, whether deal-

ing with Mr Kaifu, Mr Gorbachov, Mr Walesa, or Mr Havel, makes the country feel that affairs are safely under control. But he does not have the language to communicate to Americans the still very great power of their still very great country. That may yet be a very

First catch your monkey

As a doting father I insist that my children hone their infant intelligence on the whetstone of Experience. Only thus will they come by Knowledge, so important to their Prospects. They will then grow up to become Clever People who vent their opinions in a hectoring tone in Restaurants. That is their Fate. I will have done my duty. All experience is grist to this mill. I know nothing about

animals, but I am anxious that my offspring should: their names, for example, and whether they are extinct, endangered or just bad eating. Besides, as every father knows, close encounters with furlined creatures bring on the clammy palms of childish awe.

"Thank you Daddy," says true childish awe, "for giving me this unbelievably educative and yet at the same time thrilling experience." Shucks! Its what Daddies are Daddies for. Nothing can beat live and wiggly things for gooey bonding; except possibly a Manta "Look!" I shouted off Mont-

serrat the other day, "flying-fish!" They were skittering, live and wiggly, across the waves. "Catherine! George!" They scrambled up on deck. "Look!" They looked blankly at the sea and then blankly at me. Nothing stirred.

"Fish," I said, "flying-fish."
"Monsters!?" said George. "No, no just fish. There." They were leaping again nearer the "Yes." said Catherine, looking

shore. "Can you see them?" in the opposite direction. "Arrigh!" said George, already a monster. The fish, in the

On Pinney's Beach in Nevis there is an unpleasant swamp at the bottom of a coconut grove. A monstrous crab was sitting rockstill on the far bank. "Can you see the crab?" I asked my daughter. "Where?"

"Yes." She was humouring me now. It was the crab's fault. It was doing its impersonation of an Italian restaurant ornament. I picked up a rock and lobbed it into the swamp. Could I prompt crabby into a display of its locomotive skills? Swifter than a flying-fish it sunk beneath the ooze. Not a ripple marked its

"There."



RHYS JONES

"Splash!" said Catherine, pointing to where the rock went, At night the stars above the boat were almost as good as a planetarium. Like the engine of my car, the heavens are some-

thing I rarely examine in detail. They bring on the same queasy fear of the unknown.

"Look, there," said Lars the skipper between mouthfuls of salmon dip, "a satellite." And there it was: a pinprick of light piercing the bowl of the night. You don't see them often," said Lars.

In the next half honr we saw five. "George!" I shouted. George left his homework and gazed up into the sky. Five minutes passed. Ten. There were no more. No planes, no strange whirling lights, no shooting stars, certainly no satellites. "Er, I think that's the belt of Orion," I said after a while. George looked at the salmon dip.

"Lars?" I continued, "Is that The Plough?" But Lars was no help. The modern skipper navigates by satellite, apparently.

There are 36,000 wild monkeys on St Kitts. While we were there. 35,999 of them stayed in bed. Only Lars was with me when the taxi-driver spotted the island's one non-agoraphobic primate. "See?" said the driver.

"Oh yeah," said Lars.
"Where?" I said. "By the telegraph pole!" I made an encouraging noise. "He's on that brush wood!"

"Yes," I smiled, wanting Lars and the taxi-driver to know it was as good for me as it was for

I went back later, determined to see a wild monkey in its natural habitat of old oil-drums and heaps of grit or, at least, determined that my children should. As we approached, the monkey saw us coming. Faster than a land-crab chasing a flying-fish, he scurried away like a satellite. For a fleeting instant I glimpsed his grey bottom, "There!" I hollered. jumped up and down for. emphasis. "Did you see him!?" They missed him. As we walked back, they sang a tuncless song. "The monkey's gone away hay, away hay, away hay". There were extra verses about the dearth

I said nothing. It is obvious that despite my best endeavours, my children will not grow up Clever. They will end up Knowing, which is quite a different thing. As I'm sure all fathers will agree.

of elephants, giraffes and flying-

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THE PRICE OF UNITY

Having damaged his own and his country's good name by his mishandling of the German-Polish border question, Chancellor Kohl has for the moment yielded to wiser counsel from inside his party. A compromise emerged vesterday from Bonn's smoke-filled rooms, just in time for tomorrow's debate in the Bundestag on a proposed joint parliamentary

This was a defeat, but not a rout, for Herr Kohl. He had, of course, imposed provocative conditions for signing a future treaty in which a united Germany would confirm in perpetuity the Oder-Neisse border. The Poles were irritated by Herr Kohl's presumption that he was entitled to demand concessions, however reasonable, in return for a promise to respect Poland's territorial integrity which Warsaw regards as long overdue. West German appeals to the judgements of the supreme court in Karlsruhe only fuelled Polish fears.

By what Mr Mazowiecki called his "ambiguities and insinuations", Herr Kohl has induced the Polish Government to echo the anti-German attitudes exploited so cynically by its communist predecessors. Few Poles will now believe that yesterday's tactical retreat was a genuine change of heart by the Chancellor.

As reunification approaches, the Federal Republic is bound to find itself saddled with the consequences of the arrogant policies of successive East German leaders, who allowed relations with Poland to deteriorate to the point in summer 1981 when the Volksarmee stood ready to help Brezhnev to invade Poland. Hostility towards Polish pedlars in East Germany and Polish immigrants of German extraction in West Germany has aroused dormant fears of former overloads in Poland itself. The Modrow Government has used Polish migrants as scapegoats for its own disappointing economic performance.

The decline in popularity of extreme German nationalist parties in the West last month shows that Herr Kohl's tough line with Poland was achieving its object. Anti-Polish sentiment may remain a powerful political factor in a reunited Germany, above all in the poorer regions of the East. His Social Democrat challenger, Herr Lafontaine, has played the same game by agitating against immigration from Poland. But with Herr Willy Brandt - the man who knelt in silent prayer at the Warsaw ghetto two decades ago - now effectively leading the Social Democrats' election campaign, the SPD can present itself abroad as the party of reconciliation.

To remain a friend of Warsaw, yet at the same time to embark on a diplomatic offensive designed to secure a revision of an imposed post-war settlement, was a task which proved beyond the considerable powers of Gustav Stresemann, the Weimar Republic's only statesman. Though playing a very much stronger hand than Stresemann, Herr Kohl has so far failed to win a trick.

He has a potential saviour: President Richard von Weizsäcker. In 1987 the President rescued his Chancellor from the disastrons diplomatic consequences of comparing Mr Gorbachov to Dr Goebbels. As a young officer, Herr von Weizsäcker fought in the Polish campaigns; his father was then state secretary at Ribbentrop's Foreign Ministry. With such a background, to be guided by conscience in one's dealings with Poland is more than prudent: it is imperative.

The President ought to have been dispatched to Warsaw long ago to smooth the path to reunification. That he was not sent last September was due to the same "steel helmet" lobby which has now landed the Chancellor in trouble. It is not yet too late.

Tone-deaf to diplomatic harmonies as he is, Helmut Kohl was never likely to resolve the discord between Bonn and Warsaw over the border. Yet his duty to his country demands nothing less. As the Polish novelist, Andrzei Szczypiorski, commented yesterday: "The final recognition of the Oder-Neisse border by the German people will quite simply be the end of the great war which Hitler and Stalin unleashed against democracy, against Europe

UNESCO UNREPENTANT

When Señor Federico Mayor was elected Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization in 1987, he promised "drastic reforms". He pledged himself to move Unesco away from the politics of confrontation, to concentrate its activities on a few key objectives, and to streamline a secretariat which he likened to "a dinosaur with an enormous body and a stunted brain". He appealed to Britain and the United States to rejoin.

The British Government, which left Unesco in 1985, has consistently maintained that promises were not enough, and that it would only review its position when it knew the content of Unesco's new programmes, the shape of Señor Mayor's management reforms and had evidence that Unesco's members were ready to set aside political controversy. The wisdom of that stance has been amply borne out, since the promises have not been kept.

The new programme adopted last November by Unesco's General Conference remains scatter-shot and unfocused. On the issue which was central to the British and American withdrawals, Unesco's promotion of a "new world information order" which served to justify state intervention in the flow of news, the outcome was ambiguous.

Señor Mayor himself, while stressing his personal commitment to "the free and uninhibited flow of information", acknowledged that everything depended on how the secretariat interpreted its mandate. On Monday, he announced the appointment of a new assistant director-general for communications: Mr H. Yushkiavitshus, the deputy directorgeneral of the Soviet State Commission for Radio and Television. For good measure, he has expanded the department's responsibilities to include data-processing and informatics.

Señor Mayor could have taken no step more calculated to alarm than the appointment of a Soviet national to this ultra-sensitive post. It is : a betrayal of his own repeated commitments, and of those who have worked with Unesco to

return it to its constitutional duty of promoting the "free flow of ideas". The appointment was announced as part of Señor Mayor's longdelayed strategy for restructuring the overstaffed secretariat - which, he told Mr Timothy Sainsbury, the British minister responsible, only last week, would cut staff levels by more than a third.

The blueprint published on Monday instead creates 24 new senior management posts (at a cost of \$5 million and without consulting Unesco's Executive Board, as required by regulations). It promotes a further 18 staff to executive level, contrary to the advice of independent consultants who found Unesco to be extremely top-heavy. Señor Mayor has releaving the culture portfolio with M Henri Lopes, a Congolese politician responsible in 1973 for organizing show-trials and executions. Another M'Bow appointee heads a new unit to promote co-operation with "Palestine".

The promised staff reductions lie in the future and, as they are to be achieved by wastage, the target is unlikely to be met by November next year, as proposed. Meantime, contracts will be renewed only for six-month periods, a decision calculated to create maximum uncertainty among the staff.

Señor Mayor faces, at last, serious opposition. The Japanese, the largest contributors to Unesco's budget, are considering withholding payments until an emergency session of the executive board is convened. The United States, in despair of reform, may withdraw its observer mission.

Mr Sainsbury expressed his concern yesterday to the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Commons, which is soon to report on Unesco. A decision is expected next month on the Government's policy review. Señor Mayor, it is now clear, has wasted what was a golden opportunity to rebuild Unesco. In these circumstances, there should be no question of a British return.

THE BLUE PETER CURRICULUM

The Adam Smith Institute, himbering up for its patron's bicentenary celebrations later this year, has just loosed off a broadside against the theory and practice of "progressive" teacher-education. Its author is Mr Dennis O'Keeffe, who is Senior Lecturer in Education at the Polytechnic of North London, an establishment not best known as a hotbed of the New

He says that he has written a monograph, but that is to state the matter with undue modesty. The Wayward Elite may have a bibliography in which Althusser rubs shoulders with Schumpeter and R. Duelli Klein, but that will fool nobody. Not for nothing does a sentence of his fellow-countryman, Edmund Burke, stand at the head of the text. Mr O'Keeffe is a political pamphleteer, and an accomplished

One of his prime targets is the "workshop mode" of primary teacher preparation - the ambience of which he finds "part catechistic, part early Dr Spock". He detects in it two main ideological components. The first he calls the "Blue Peter Curriculum", where relaxation and informality are fronts for a relentless pursuit of triviality. "The emphasis is on levity. The painting of toilet-roll cores, montages of coloured paper, art displays from the teaching practice front, whose only merit is that young untutored children produced

He is equally underwhelmed by the "DIY Pedagogy", which he sees as the legacy of Rousseau and Dewey and the real motor of educational disruption. "The rules are governed by a developmental thesis of play, real interest and readiness, whose outcomes are spaque to most parents and children". In Mr O'Keeffe's view, progressive education has

been sustained by a blend of romanticism, anti-intellectualism and evangelical fantasy. "Our society has been partly undermined by the belief that childhood is more important than knowledge and equality more significant than excellence".

None of this disposes Mr O'Keeffe to think particularly highly of the present Government's educational reforms. "While the Thatcher medicine has proved itself in other areas, in education we are getting a further dose of educational corporatism". He sees the combination of a centralized national curricuhum and an examining monopoly at 16-plus for the GCSE as "evidence of an unrecalcitrant dirigisme".

Mr O'Keeffe reproves the Government for its apparent lack of faith in market-based remedies for our educational ills, and lets his mind range heuristically over a wide range of possibility. "What would this activity be like if it were consumer-led and privately financed? What would schools be like if they were not compulsory? What, apart from mere habit, confines so much education to private

Apart from his general belief in the reforming superiority of markets, he makes a number of specific proposals. He would, for instance, like to see an independent Council for Education - a non-party body whose members would be elected for distinguished activity in their various subjects and which would act as a kind of watchdog of the nation's

Mr O'Keeffe's detailed suggestions are less interesting than the broad thrust of his argument. He has, for all that, written a robust and dadable polemic in an area all too offen characterized by turgidity.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Coming to terms with the poll tax

From Sir Gilbert Longden Sir, In his list of factors working against the Government I think Lord Wyatt (February 27) grievously underrates the effect which the community charge is going to have on the voter, and I can't feel sure that the Government and their advisers are aware of the revulsion felt in all walks of life, urban and rural, for this charge.

While it is wrong that so many should have hitherto escaped liability for contributing anything at all to the cost of local services, unity charge is going to result in far too many people who can't afford it paying far more than their fair sh

I believe the problem could be solved by transferring the whole cost of education on to the Exchequer, where it should properly belong, a move which has often been advocated but always rejected for what I consider inconclusive reasons. Education is essentially a national respon-sibility, and the State should maintain the nation's schools and pay the salaries of the teaching profession, just as it maintains the hospitals and pays the salaries of the nursing and medical pro-

If this means increasing income tax, the additional burden would at least be related to income and capacity to pay; and the local authorities would be left with what is properly their function and would need to levy a much re-duced charge on their electorate and industry and small businesses would be relieved of what may prove in many cases an insupportable burden.

I share Lord Wyatt's optimism regarding the other factors which are now "working against the Government", but not this one. Even now it is not too late to correct what is, I believe, a sad misjudgment. Yours sincerely GILBERT LONGDEN 89 Cornwall Gardens, SW7.

From Mr Bernard Cunningham Sir, I agree with Mr Sidney Sugarman (March I) that the rating system was unjust and something had to be done about it. The introduction of the poll tax, however, was not the answer.

February 28.

Mr Sugarman hypothesises about an excessive burden on the poor and worse off. I can assure him that here in Glasgow that burden is not hypothetical but very real.

Mr Sugarman should not con-fuse reliefs and allowances from income tax, which are determined

From the Chief Executive of the

Sir, We were delighted to see your

leader (March 2) supporting the

Which? report on estate agents.

But I must defend our research

methods against the "nose wrin-

kling" brigade whom you suggest might not like our use of actors.

of real sellers and they, of course,

knew we were using actors to test

the estate agents' ways of handling

the sales. How else could we test

what was really going on? Until

more estate agents themselves undertake this kind of monitoring it's difficult even for them to find

I might add that The Times

reported (February 26) that the

new Press Council code of practice

is expected to concede that "sub-

terfuge" can be used to obtain

material which ought to be pub-lished in the public interest and

could not be obtained by other

means. We might see radical im-

provements in our hospitals if a

few consultants and administra-

tors attended outpatients incognito!

Two things are urgently needed:

independent monitoring and pub-

he reporting of agents' perfor-

mances across the country, and stronger enforcement of disclosure

of an agent's interest in the advice and information they are giving

out how the public are treated.

We had the willing co-operation

Consumers' Association

before assessment, and "approprinte consideration and relief' from poll tax, which are deter-

mined after assessment. The poll tax is morally wrong, not because of its consequences described by Mr Sugarman, viz., bringing into the area of fiscal responsibility those who have not previously paid for the community benefits, but because of its intrinsic unfairness.

In Giasgow, I, a lawyer living in a residential area of the city, pay the same poll tax as the lady who cleans my office and who lives in a large depressed housing estate in another area of the city.

Why can we not introduce a local income tax as our European partners have done? Yours truly, BERNARD CUNNINGHAM, 1 Dolphin Road, Pollokshields,

From Mr T. H. F. Entract Sir, May I refer briefly to another anomaly of the poll tax which has not received any publicity.

Under the existing rating system a rebate is allowed by valuation officers to partly defray the costs of those who live in unadopted, unmade-up lanes or roads. They receive no personal benefit on the rates in the form of road-surfacing, footpaths, lighting, or drainage.

Presumably, this is to be forgot-ten, adding a further turn of the screw when the community charge is imposed. Yours faithfully T. H. F. ENTRACT. The Little Orchard, Castle Road, Woking, Surrey. February 27.

From Mr K. F. Bezvis Sir, Mr Abbott (February 27) should think himself lucky - at least he could live in his mother's house if he wanted to.

My widowed mother, who died in October, 1988, owned a sheltered warden-assisted flat which is subject to the usual covenant that it must not be occupied by a person under 55 years of age.

The flat has been stuck in the property slump for 16 months, and it seems that I will have to pay double community charge for the "huxury" of having a second property which I do not want and which I am legally unable to occupy.
Yours faithfully,

K. F. BEAVIS, Warren Grove, Woodham Walter Common, Maldon, Essex.

Testing estate agents Service mistreatment the 1988 Defence Council instruct Medical redress

From Mr Jack Ashley, CH, MP for Stoke-on-Trent South (Labour) Sir, Dr Alan Porter said in his letter (March 1) that it was inconceivable that Service instructors would mistreat servicemen if they were informed about prevention, recognition and first aid for heat illness, and if they had received clear orders about how to

react to a collapse. I am highly critical of the Ministry of Defence but not for this reason Action has been taken to inform and warn all three Services about heatstroke and heat exhaustion. In the Lt Simon Rowland case, the Secretary of State for Defence told me in a letter of September 13, 1989, that

Pennies from heaven

From Mr W. J Findley Sir, Old age brings little but disillusionment. Each year, as a child, on crossing the Forth Bridge en route to St Andrews on holiday, I observed the custom of throwing a penny out of the carriage window in the belief that I was propitiating the gods.

Seventy years later, I learn from your fascinating article on the bridge (February 24) that these offerings were appropriated by the trackmen for beer money. I have been standing people drinks all my adult life, but realise only now that I had started the amiable practice so young.

Yours sincerel W. J. FINDLAY. 40 Uplands Way, N21.

Parent power From Mrs Valerie Davey

both seller and buyer. Yours faithfully,

Consumers' Association

2 Marylebone Road, NW1.

JOHN BEISHON

Chief Executive,

Sir, I feel it is important to challenge some of the prejudicial assumptions contained in your leader of February 26, headed "Challenge to parent power".

Avon went to the High Court to seek a judicial review of the secretary of state's decision. The facts of the matter are that the secretary of state failed to properly consider the county's plan for reorganising secondary education in Bath against the mutually contradictory plan to allow one school, Beechen Cliff, to opt out.

Avon acted in the interests of all the parents and pupils and would reject your implication that the other schools were not as good as Beechen Cliff. This is not a matter of limiting parental choice, but rather a case where the county was defending freedom of choice, and the clearly expressed view of the majority of parents. Mr Justice Hutchison recognised this fact. Yours faithfully, VALERIE DAVEY (Labour spokeswoman

29 Norton Road,

February 27.

Yours faithfully Avon Education Committee) Knowie, Bristol, Aysn. February 25.

From the General Secretary of the Society of Education Officers Sir, How do you reconcile your acceptance in your leading article, that the "problem is that largescale reorganisation of educational facilities has become essential" because of "a surplus of 1.25 million places in schools in England with your assertion that "parental choice ought to be the dominant factor in the survival of a school"?

Secondly, will you advise the secretary of state to decide whether he really wants local education authorities to dispose of surplus school accommodation and, if so, to make simple and logical rules and allow authorities to get on with it?

Otherwise he, and you, should leave it entirely to parents to decide whether two schools shall remain open where only one is needed to accommodate the pupil numbers and he, and you, should then accept that there may be continuing expenditure on empty places and put the blame where it belones.

DENNIS HATFIELD, General Secretary, Society of Education Officers. 21-27 Lambs Conduit Street WC1. Legal rights of genetic parents

From Mr J. G. Hogg Sir, Mr Forrest (February 28) seems to me to misstate the effect of the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Bill. He refers to clause 26 of the Bill as excluding the rights of the genetic mother but allowing her husband, as genetic father, to apply for recognition of his position as legal father of the child.

Under clause 27, when the host surrogate mother is married, the genetic "father" is precluded from applying for recognition as the legal father. Thus, where a birth results from embryo implantation and the host surrogate mother's husband consents to the implantation, it is he, not the genetic who will, when the Bill is enacted, be the legal father The position of both genetic "parents"

I suggest that rather than fly in the face of "present genetic know-ledge and medical technology" the proposed definitions provide an essential safeguard against the so-called "rent-a-womb" practice that might easily arise if the definition were otherwise. By ensuring that the legal rights are vested in the host mother and her husband there can never be any certainty that the child would ultimately be handed over after it was born. This would have the effect of making any such arrange-ments unenforceable and would discourage money changing hands.

in addition the effect of the proposals will ensure that there is and can be only one set of parents for the child. This will prevent the fragmentation of parental rights that would otherwise arise if it allowed for more than one set of persons to have some parental

Clearly it is important that the law should provide a child with this degree of certainty in these days it is indeed a wise child that knows its own father. Yours faithfully, J. G. HOGG, 24 Mill Hill Close Northallerton, North Yorkshire

March 1.

From Mrs N. A. Scarisbrick Sir, Either the embryology Bill continues the legal lie that the donors of gametes in IVF (in vitro fertilisation) are not the genetic parents or we have to legislate that gamete donors are recognised as the genetic parents and their identity made known to the children born as a result of their donation. We can't have it all

course members (including Sub Lt

The cause for concern is the Ministry of Defence's failure to

enforce its regulations by strong

disciplinary action. Incredibly, after 663 injuries and 12 deaths

during the last 10 years the

ministry has admitted there was

not one single disciplinary action.

if automatic disciplinary action

was taken when avoidable serious

injury or death occurs from heat-

stroke or heat exhaustion there

would be a dramatic fall in these

traggic cases

March 2.

Yours faithfully.

JACK ASHLEY,

House of Commons.

Long absences

usual in that diocese.

vacancy has.

Faithfully yours,

JOHN J. COYNE,

The Chaplaincy,

Black Moss Lane,

white one.

blacks do not.

Yours faithfully, JULIA LOCKWOOD,

3 Fortis Green Avenue, N2.

Ormskirk, Lancashire.

From Father John J Covne

Sir, By way of a postscript to Clifford Longley's article (Feb-

mary 21) on the recent appoint-

ment to the Roman Catholic see of

Northampton may one point out

that long vacancies are not un-

at the beginning of May, 1932, his

successor was not consecrated until the end of July, 1933. Similarly, when Bishop Youens died in mid-November, 1939,

Bishop Parker was not con-secrated until mid-February of

1941. Neither of these long periods sede vacante caused the gossip

and conjectures that the recent

As Clifford Longley says, Bishop McCartie has had a distin-

guished career in the archdiocese

of Birmingham. His educational

background, both at Cotton Coll-

eat and Oscott College, was

imilar to that of his predecessor

Bishop Thomas, and he will find

not a few Oscotians among the

canons and clergy of his new

S Africa's poor whites

Sir, In response to Mr D. G.

Evans's letter (March 3) concern-

ing South Africa's poor whites, I fully appreciate the fact that the

issue is not simply a black and

However, there is a very fun-

damental difference between all

blacks and all whites, rich and

poor. It is this - the whites have

the democratic right to vote. The

Letters to the Editor should carry

a daytime telephone number. They

may be sent to a fax number -

(01)782 5046.

From Ms Julia Lockwood

When Bishop Cary-Elwes died

Rowland) by their instructor".

All parties involved in IVF by donor gametes and surrogacy ought to be compelled by law to be honest and tell the children so conceived the whole truth, perhaps on the birth certificate. At least the children will not then have the wretched knowledge that they have been deceived, though they may well need all the counselling envisaged in the em-bryology Bill to come to terms with their unusual conception.

It may well be that legally enforced bonesty would dras-tically cut the supply of donor gametes and surrogate mothers as anonymity seems to be the key to most of these arrangements. No bad result either.

Yours sincerely, NUALA SCARISBRICK (Honorary National Administrator), Newbold Terrace. Learnington Spa. Warwickshire March 2

From Mr G G Collins Sir, In August, 1984, you printed my letter proposing the term womb-surse instead of surrogate mother for a woman who accepts another's fertilised ovum into her womb with the intention of bearing the child. May I repeat and amplify the proposal in view of the current controversy?

Clearly a womb-nurse has, like a wet-nurse, an intimate and honourable relationship with the infant, but both perform a strictly nursing function and neither can transmit hereditary characteristics to the child. Only the genetic parents can do so. To call a wombnurse a surrogate mother is confusing, therefore, and unfair to the real, genetic, mother. Once this is understood, there should be less difficulty in defining the legal

There remains, what is more, a proper and necessary use of the term surrogate-mother to describe a woman who allows her own ovum to be fertilised, with a view to handing over the child at a later stage, for adoption perhaps by the genetic father.

Legal questions arising from modern skills in implanting and in fertilisation of humans and of animals will increase in number and complexity; hence the importance of precise nomenclature. Precise language leads to clear thought and so, one may hope, to

Yours faithfully, G. G. COLLINS Swallowfield Park Reading Berkshire. March 1.

From Mr Adrian Desmond Sir, As someone who works closely with victim support groups I am disturbed by the Labour Party's attempt (report, February 26) to introduce a "no-fault" use into the NHS Bill allowing all medical-negligence victums to claim for compensation.

While seemingly well meant, the clause completely misses the point Yes, it would give victims an automatic right to compensa-tion, but at an unacceptable price. Patients rarely seek just financial recompense for the wrong done to them. They want an explanation of what happened, an assurance that it will not happen again, and - perhaps most important - an apology for the suffering forced upon them.

A "no-fault" scheme would be unacceptable to patients' organisations unless such accountability was made an integral part of the scheme Yours faithfully, ADRIAN DESMOND (Partner),

Boves Turner & Burrows (Solicitors), 10 Duke Street

Reading, Berkshire.

Edinburgh threat

From Professor Julies Cheetham Sir, Nigel Andrew's excellent ac-count of Edinburgh's Royal Mile (Review, February 24) describes

mysterious little "wynds" and closes open between the buildings, and when a wider gap appears, startling vistas, half urban, half wild, open up above and below, and on either side.

Advocate's Close, opposite St Giles' Cathedral, is the most stunning of these closes and its spectacular view of the Scott Monument, Princes Street, Fife, and the sea is one of the most photographed in Edinburgh.

Those who love this city will be appalled to learn that there is a proposal to the district council to build a five-storey office block in the close which will destroy the famous view from the High Street. This act of gratuitous vandalism must be stopped. Objections can be made to the City Planning Department, Market Street, Edinburgh. Yours faithfully,

JULIET CHEETHAM, 34 Danube Street, Edinburgh.

Commons spectacle From Mrs Norah Öwen Sir, One of the things that has interested me since television has entered the House of Commons is the number of Conservative front-

benchers who wear glasses. Maybe cryopia is endemic in ambitious Conservative men, or, perhaps, if you are not particularly striking in personality or appear ance, a pair of speciacles (even plain glass) adds a certain

gravitas? Yours truly, NORAH ÓWEN. 50 Bear Street, Colchester, Essex.



COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
March 6: The Queen held an
Investiture this morning at
Buckingham Palace.
Mr W. L. Cordiner was
received in audience by Her
Majesty and kissed hands upon
his appointment as British High
Commissioner to the Kingdom
of Tonga.

received by The Queen.
The Right Hon Margaret
Thatcher, MP (Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury) had an audience of Her Majesty

The Duke of Edinburgh, Honorary Member of the British Horse Society, attended a Horse Driving Trials Press Conference at the Royal Mews, Publication Balance

His Royal Highness, Patron and Trustee, attended Recep-tions at St James's Palace for Young People who have reached the Gold Standard in The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

The Duke of Edinburgh. Patron and Trustee, gave a lunch and chaired a meeting of the Trustees of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme, at Buckingham Palace. His Royal Highness, Grand

Master, attended a Court Dinner of the Guild of Air Pilots and Air Navigators at the Mer-chant Taylors' Hall, London

The Duke of Edinburgh was received by the Right Hon the Lord Mayor (Sir Hugh Bidwell). Captain Alastair Rogers, RM was in attendance

The Lady Elton has succeeded Mrs John Duedale as Lady-in-Waiting to The Queen.
Today The Princess Royal

visited Buckinghamshire and was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenaut for mshire (Commander the Hon John Fremantie, RN). Her Royal Highness, President, British Knitting and Ciothing Export Council,

opened the Aquascutum fac-tory, Milton Keynes. Afterwards The Princess Royal, Patron, the Butler Trust, visited the Aylesbury Young Offenders Institution, Bierton Royal Aylesbury

Offenders Institution, Bierton Road, Aylesbury.
Subsequently Her Royal Highness, President, Riding for the Disabled Association, visited the High Wycombe Group, Grove Equitation Centre, Wear Lane End, High Wycombe.
In the evening The Princess Royal attended a dinner at Employer and Hermanth Halls of Finsbury and Heyworth Halls of Residence of City University,

Northampton Square, London. Her Royal Highness was at-tended by Mrs Andrew Feilden, and the Countess of Lichfield. KENSINGTON PALACE March 6: The Princess of Wales, Patron, Child Accident Prevention Trust, launched the "Dump

Subsequently Her Royal Highness visited Kea School,

Finally Her Royal Highness, Patron, Freshfield Drug Counselling Service, visited the Service's offices at 10

received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Cornwall (the Viscount Falmouth).
Viscountess Campden was in

March 6: The Duchess of Gloucester today opened the North London Blood Transfu-sion Centre at Colindale Hos-

In the evening Her Royal Highness, Patron, Foster Par-ents Plan (UK), attended a Reception at Roy Miles's Fine Painting Gallery, 29 Bruton Street, London, W1. Mrs Howard Page was in

Dinners

Guild of Air Pilots and Air Navigators
The Duke of Edinburgh, Grand

Master of the Guild of Air Pilots and Air Navigators, presided at an investitute of new liverymen and a court dinner held last night at Merchant Taylors' Hall. He was received by the Lord Mayor, the Master of the Merchant Taylors' Company, and the Master and Clerk of the Guild of Air Pilots and Air Navigators. The Master of the Guild and Lord Kindersley, Prime Warden of the Fishmongers' Company also spoke. Among others present were:

aptain F H Dell. Captain M Bannister Master-elect). Captain D R sauleverner, Air Marshal Sir Denis rowley-Milling and Captain C E iton (Wardens). Major-General R D ktsl., Air Cammadora the Hon

United Oxford and Cambridge University Club Mr Derek Conran, Chairman of the United Oxford and Cam-bridge University Club, pre-sided at a dinner held last night at 71 Pall Mall Mr Enoch Powell was the principal speaker and Lord Blake, Professor Sir Ralf Dahrendorf, Sir Brian Cubbon and Sir Nicholas Henderson were among those

Royal Pharmacentical Society of Creat Britain Mrs Marion Rawlings, President of the Royal Pharmaceuti-cal Society of Great Britain, presided at a dinner held last night at the society's head-quarters. Mrs Virginia Bottomley, Minister of State for Health, also spoke. Among oth-

Mr Gordon Oakes, MP. Sir Kenneth Chuza, Sir David Bertiman, Mr Roy Jones, Mr Tim Astin. Dr Jime Crown, Mr G H Peris, Miss Josa Greenlegf, Mrs Peggy Baker, Professor Ceorge Teeling-Smith, Mrs Heather Brigsbock. Mr Anthony Close, Mr Roge Sims, MP, Mr Sam Agbiofo and Mr Peter Menty.

Birthdays today

ers present were:

Mr David Arbuthnot, racehors rainer, 37; Sir Robert Atkinson, former chairman, British Shipbuilders, 74; Mr William Boyd, author, 38; Viscount Chelmsford, 59; Mr G.A. Cooke, former chairman, C.T. Bowring, 67;

Sir Kenneth Green, director, Manchester Polytechnic, 56; Mr J.O. Hambro, former president. Hambros, 71; Sir Anthony Lambert, diplomat, 79; Sir John Lambert, diplomat, 79, Str John
Lattey, former High Court judge,
76; Mr Ivan Lendl, tennis
player, 30; Lord Oliver of
Aylmerton, 69; Mr Michael
Oliver, raceborse trainer, 40; Sir
Eduardo Paolozzi, sculptor, 66;

Dame Beryl Paston Brown. Dame Beryl Paston Brown, former principal, Homerton College, Cambridge, 81; Professor Sir David Phillips, molecular biophysicist, 66; Mr Piers Paul Read, author, 49; Mr Viv Richards, cricketer, 38; Mr Mark Rowland, athlete, 27; the Earl of Snowdon, 60; Mr Martin Tickner, theatrical producer, 49;

Sir Ranulph Twisleton-Wykeham-Fiennes, explorer, 46; Mr Richard Vernon, actor, 65; Dame Margaret Weston, former director, Science Mu-

Yorks appoint new aide

The Duke and Duchess of York have appointed Captain Neil Blair, RN, as their Private Secretary and Treasurer, in succession to Lieutenant-Colosuccession to Lieutenant-Colo-nel Sean O'Dwyer, who con-tinues as Private Secretary and enues as rivate Secretary and Equerty to Prince Edward. Captain Blair commanded HMS Shavington and the frigate HMS Ashanti and served as Defence and Naval Attaché in The

1990 Campaign" for the destruction of unwanted medicine, at New County Hall, Truro, Cornwall.

Kea, Truro.

Afterwards The Princess of Wales, Duchess of Corawall, attended a hunch at Arrallas Farm, Ladock, Truro.

Strangeways Terrace, Truro. The Princess of Wales was

KENSINGTON PALACE pital, Colindale Avenue, London NW9.

Miss Suzanne Marland was in

Cardiff Business Club The Lord Lieutenant for South Glamorgan, Mrs Susan E. Williams; the High Sheriff of South Glamorgan, Mr C.L. Pollard and the Chairman of Cardiff Business Club, Mr Brian K. Thomas, were present at a dinner held by the club at the Royal Hotel, Cardiff, on Monday night. The guest speaker was Mr Ancurin Rhys Hughes, Ambassador and Head of Delegation of the Commission of European Communities in Norway. Mr John Elfed Jones,

Chairman of the Welsh Language Board presided. Institution of Chemical

The annual dinner of the In-stitution of Chemical Engineers was held last night at The Savoy. The President, Professor G.F. Hewitt, FRS, FEng, and Council welcomed as principal guests and speakers Lord Chilver, Chairman, Universities Fund-ing Council and Mr J.G. Collier, Chairman, United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority and Chairman-Designate, Nuclear Electric. Other guests included:
Sir Geoffrey Alien. Major General Str
Michael Painert. Dr. E.J. Cullen.
Professor C. Hilsen, Dr. H. Mekcatic.
Professor E.W.J. Mifferell. Mr. R.E.J.
Roberts. Professor P. Stotz. Mr B.N.
Sweeney, Professor R.V. Thompson.
Professor J.M. Ward.

Service dinner

University of Birmingham Air The University of Birmingham Air Squadron held its annual dinner at RAF Costord last night. Sir Peter Levene, Chief of Defence Procurement, Ministry of Defence, was the guests of honour. Squadron Leader J.R. Mann, Commanding Officer, presided. Among others present

The Air Officer Commanding in-Chief.
RAF Support Command, the Air
Officer Commanding and Commandant, RAF College, Cranwell in
Vice-Chanceliers of Birmingham and
Warwick universities, the Director of
Wolverhampton Potyechnik and
members of the West Michands
Education Committee.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Joseph Niepce, pio-neer of photography, Châlon-sur-Saône, 1765; Alessandro Manzoni, poet and novelist, Milan, 1785; Sir John Herschel, Milan, 1785; Sir John Herschel, astronomer, Slough, Buckinghamshire, 1792; Sir Edwin Landseer, painter, London, 1802; Henry Draper, astronomer, Virginia, 1837; Thomás Masaryk, first president of Czechoslovakia 1918-35, Hodonin, 1850; Piet Mondrian, abstract painter. Americant abstract painter, Amersfoort, Netherlands, 1872; Maurice Ravel, composer, Ciboure, France, 1875.

DEATHS: Saint Thomas Aquinas, Dominican theologian, Fossanova, Italy, 1274; Jean-Pierre Blanchard, balloonist who made the first aerial cross-ing of the Channel, Paris, 1809; Cuthbert Collingwood, Lord Collingwood, admiral, at sea, 1810; Aristide Briand, 11 times premier of France, Nobel peace laureate 1926, Paris, 1932: Percy Wyndham Lewis, writer and artist, founder of Vorticism, London, 1957: Stevie (Florence)

Smith, poet, London, 1971. University news

Honorary degrees are to be conferred on the following: conterred on the following:
DSc: Lord Chorley, President of
the Royal Geographical Society.
DLitt: Lord Goff of Chieveley,
Lord of Appeal in Ordinary; Mr
Robert Hardy, actor; Sir David
Lumsden, Principal of the
Royal Academy of Music; and
Tan Sri Haji Murad, Director
General of Education in
Malaysia.

Lord Tombs

The life barony conferred on Sir Francis Tombs has been gazetted by the name, style and tire of Baron Tombs, of Brailes in the County of Warwickshire.

OBITUARIES

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THE HON ANTHONY CAYZER

Challenging the State monopoly with British Caledonian

The Hon Anthony Cayzer, younger brother of Lord Rotherwick and a senior member of the Cayzer ship-ping and airline family, died on March 4, aged 69.

Michael Anthony Rathborne Cayzer was born on May 28, 1920. In common with other male children of the family, he was educated at Eton. Thereafter he chose a military career and attended the Royal Military College at Sandhurst, going on to be commissioned in the Royal Scots Greys.

He served in the war until 1944, mostly in the Middle East, and was mentioned in dispatches. He was invalided out of the army with infantile paralysis and entered the ship-ping industry with Clan Line Steamers, a Cayzer firm.

After the war, Cayzer immersed himself further in the various strands of the family business, working for Union-Castle Mail Steamship Company, British & Common-wealth Shipping, Caledonia Investments, British United Airways and Overseas

His work took him from London all over the world, but principally to Liverpool, Greenock and South Africa, and he became a pillar of the shipping industry, in the In-stitute of Shipping and Forwarding Agents as well as the General Council of British Shipping.

However, Cayzer's interests gradually centred on the airline business. He was a qualified fixed-wing and heliconter pilot and a founder of the Air Squadron - the air equivalent owned operations of what is cousin, Nicholas, now Lord

DSO, who was Governor and

Commander-in-Chief of Ber-muda from 1959 to 1964, died

on February 26 at the age of

During his military career

Major-General

he was GOC London District

Commanding the Household

Sir Julian Gascoigne's ten-

ure at Government House in

Bermuda saw the colony move towards official de-

segregation, a process which

He also oversaw the begin-

nings of what is now the

islands' second industry,

international off-shore

A non-violent boycott by

when it ended with the owners

agreeing that all races could

millan, then the Prime Min-

share the same seating areas.

he heartily endorsed.

mere figurehead.

Brigade from 1950 to 1953.



MAJOR-GENERAL SIR JULIAN GASCOIGNE

Imaginative stewardship of Bermuda in the Sixties

Major-General Sir Julian Gascoigne, KCVO, KCMG, CB,
new Governor to break down leading the brigade during the mandant. Honourable Artil.

the colour barriers in ac- assault on the Salerno

energetically into Bermuda's his London District com-

became a regular guest at the Gascoigne was chairman of

Julian Alvery Gascoigne Committee of the National was born on October 25, 1903, Trust, the first such regional

politics and the Governor was and Sandhurst. He was acquisitions during his caused by his war wound.

then commanded the 201st Governor the Trust often

Guards Motor Brigade of the benfitted from his keen prac-7th Armoured Division in tical intelligence and aware-

to which he also belonged.

In 1970 Cayzer was a movnian Airways to form British

cordance with the govern-

ment's forward-looking policy symbolised by the "Winds of

Gascoigne also entered

ways of social life, making a

Waters Angling Club as well as

He was the first white man

to go fishing with members of

Blue Waters and during his

five-year spell as Governor

knew had virtually no party coigne and educated at Eton cial support and among the

an active chief executive, not a commissioned in the Grena- chairmanship was Castle

During the Second World

blacks of the colony's cinemas War he first served as typical Guards bearing made lasting four weeks proved a Commanding Officer of the coverhasty judge him a very catalyst for racial integration 1st Bn Grenadier Guards and conventional former colonial

It had been Harold Mac- North Africa and was ness of how the world

wounded in the Italian cam- functions.

dier Guards in 1923.

point of joining the black Blue

the white Royal Bermuda

change" speech.

Yacht Club.

The Bermuda Gascoigne Sir Frederick and Lady Gas-

management of British Caledonian was taken over by ing force in the merger of Sir Adam Thomson, leaving British United with Caledo-Cayzer to concentrate on British & Commonwealth, Caledonian in an attempt to developing a close working chaffenge the former state-relationship with his first

He was in Washington as

deputy head of the British

Joint Services Mission from

1947 to 1949 before taking up

After retiring from the

Army Gascoigne was a partner

in a London Stock Exchange

firm between 1955 and 1959,

experience which was to prove

of help to Bermuda after he

Between 1965 and 1975

the Devon and Cornwall

Trust, the first such regional

was skilled at enlisting finan-

Drogo, the work of Lutyens.

If Gascoigne's monocle and

became Governor there.

Cayzer, who was chairman of the company.

Together they are credited with what is regarded as one of the most brilliant financial coups since the war. They had been early backers of Exco, a money broking business led by the mercurial John Gunn. When Gunn left Exco they brought him in to complete the withdrawal of British & Commonwealth from the declining shipping industry.

When that was achieved, and virtually at the peak of the stock market in 1987, they sold the Cayzer family interests in British & Commonwealth for more than £400 million. The money went into Caledonia Investments, where it has been deployed in a wide range of stocks and shares.

Anthony Cayzer is remembered as a truly courteous man to work with, and a most generous host at his 1,500-acre estate in Hertfordshire, which he farmed and on which he held extensive shooting par-

He was a keen sailor, and became Chairman of the National Maritime Museum at Greenwich for ten years until 1987, remaining a trustee. He was also Deputy Chairman of Chatham Historic

Dockyard Trust and Vice-

President of Missions to Cayzer was first married in 1952 to Patricia, daughter of Lord Oranmore and Browne; they had three daughters. The year after Patricia's death in 1981 he married Baroness Sybille de Selys Longchamps,

lery Company, from 1954 to

1959 and was a former Presi-

dent of the Union Jack Ser-

While Governor in Ber-

Bermuda race in 1960, Gas-

coigne was on board the yacht

Donchery which had to be

rescued by the US Coastguard

In the same year he cap-

tained a team in the World

Amateur Championships for

Gascoigne also developed a

keen interest in diving, explor-

ing many of the wrecks which

littered Bermuda's reef line,

despite difficulties breathing

He last visited Bermuda for

a three-week holiday as guest

of the present Governor, Sir

Desmond Langley, when aged

85. He still managed a few golf rounds as well as visiting

the Blue Waters Angling Club.

Newman, who died in 1981. They had one son and one

In 1928 he married Joyce

after losing a mast.

the Eisenhower Cup.

vices Club.

SIR STEUART MITCHELL

A quick-firing AA gun for the wartime Allies

Sir Steuart Mitchell, KBE, CB, who died at Stranford-upon-Avon, on March 4, aged 87, played a vital role during the Second World War in procuring manufacture of the Oerlikon quick-firing surface that the Manufacture is a second the manufacture. The 20mm version of the Oerlikon with its 1,000 rounds per minute firing rate, became one of the most widely used close-range anti-aircraft guns of the war.

Born in India on March 9, 1902, Seton Steuart Crichton Mitchell went into the Navy, where he specialized in gunnery. In April 1939 he was sent to to supervise the manufacture of the Swiss quick-firing Oerlikon gun in Zürich. The significance of the gan had been recognized by Mount-batten, who had persistently lobbied for it from 1937. But hat the the fill of Ferrors in 1940. by the fall of France in 1940 only 109 of the 1500 ordered had been delivered.

While undertaking the British contract, the Zurich fac-tory was also making an aircraft version of the gun for the Lustwaffe, using German

steel for both products.

By June 1940 Mitchell could see that no more Oerlikons could be sent from Switzerland. After an abortive attempt to escape by car through France on June 16, he returned to Zurich and set out again via the Balkan States, Turkey, Palestine and Egypt, carrying detailed plans of the gun and three Foreign Office sacks, full of much needed was back at the Admiralty.

After playing a major part in setting up the Octikon's production under licence at

ing manufacture of the Oer-likon quick-firing gum for this country and the United States.

England, But the USA was still at peace and the manufacture of war materials was prohibited unless suitable for American forces. Undamted, Mitchell him-

self demonstrated the gun to the US Navy, and was rewarded by immediate orders. So important did the Oerlikon become, that in the fight-back after Pearl Harbour the Americans were fitting as many as 90 to one ship. By the end of the war, United States production had reached 1500 guns every 18 hours. Mitchell's efforts therefore had an important impact on the Bat-tle of the Atlantic, and also of naval operations in the Far-

Mitchell's subsequent career involved Guided Weapons, "Neddy" and Brits. ish Railways Board. From 1959 to 1962, as Controller of Guided Weapons and Electronics in the Ministry of Supply, he was responsible for all research work, development and production of

guided weapons in Britain. His next job, at British Railways, was very different. As Vice-Chairman from 1962. to 1964, he was deputy to Dr. Beeching whose three-year stewardship led to the closure of 5,000 miles of passenger track and 2,000 stations, and the loss of 70,000 jobs. Mitchjewel centres for aircraft in- ell was a Member of the struments. In three weeks he National Economic Dev. elopment Council ("Neddy") from 1967 to 1970.

He leaves his widow, Elizaheth.

HENRY RUBIN

market over many decades.

muda Gascoigne was also able to pursue his sporting in-terests, particularly sailing and golf. In the Rhode Island to

In 1929 he founded his gallery in the Fulham Road with his late brother, Ernest. Such was his knowledge that few dealers from any part of the world would come to London without visiting him. for his Behind the external facade of connoisseurship. the gallery lay an Aladdin's Cave of bookcases, tapestries and mirrors.

He served for 25 years as a at Grosvenor House. councillor of the British An-1959. He was a life councillor and founder member of the Confederation of International Art Dealers (CINOA) and during the first of his two ability. presidencies of that organiza-

Henry Rubin, who died on International Art Treasures...
March 3, aged 82, was one of Exhibition at the Victoria & the last great antique dealers Albert Museum in 1962.

of his generation. His keen eye The exhibition included. and knowledge enabled him to loans, many which have found. handle some of the most their way into permanent important furniture and collections of museums, both

tion, he arranged the major and a son.

The exhibition included

works of art to come on the here and abroad. In the foreword of the catalogue of the Henry Walter Rubin was exhibition, Rubin expressed at born in London, on February philosophy which encap15, 1908, and educated at Marylebone Grammar qualities of life. "The pleasure... School, afterwards studying in owning beautiful things is art at the Regent Street Poly- doubled by sharing that pleasure with others and the belief that the universal appreciation of the rare and beautiful. will attribute much to the surn total of human happiness."

He was widely respected in, Britain and on the continent undoubted

A year never went by without Rubin vetting furniture. for the Antique Dealers' Fair

Some years ago he became tique Dealers' Association, an active Council member of the Jewish Museum in Upper Woburn Place, London. which houses an important collection of Judaica. He was a dealer of rare.

He leaves his widow, Lily,

Today's royal engagements

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will attend a concert at the Barbican Centre at 7.35 in aid of the Aldeburgh Appeal and visit the exhibition "Landscapes from a High Latitude" on loclandic art.

The Princess Royal, as President of the British Knitting and Clothing Export Council, will visit Company X Fashions, 142 Seven Sisters Road, N7, at 9.30; Monix, Pembroke Road, N10, at 10.45; and Morgan and Oates, The Pentiand Centre, Squires Lane, N3, at 11.30. As President of the Royal Yachting Associ-ation, she will attend the annual meeting at the Inn on the Park

The Duke of Gloucester, as President of Parents Against Tobacco, will attend a reception at St James's Palace at 6.15. The Duke and Duchess of Kent will visit Ash Field School for the Physically Disabled, Broad Avenue, Leicester, at 11.00.

The Duke of Kent, as Patron of the Leukaemia Research Fund, will attend a reception at the Army and Navy Club at 6.20; and will attend the final dinner of the County Hall branch of the Royal British Legion at County Hall at 7.30.

Luncheon

Middle East Association Mr David Mellor, QC, Minister of State at the Home Office, was the principal guest at the annual luncheon of the Middle East Association held yesterday at the London Hilton on Park Lane. Mr J.R. Grundon, chair-man, presided and Sir James Blyth, president, also spoke. Ambassadors of Middle East countries and other members of the Diplomatic Corps were among those present.

Reception

London Playing Fields Society The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress, accompanied by Mr Alderman and Sheriff and Mrs Paul Newall, attended a reception held yesterday at the Man-sion House to mark the centenary year meeting of the London Playing Fields Society. Mr Peter Nathan, chairman, presided and received the guests. Field Marshal Lord Bramall, president, was among those present.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr J. Bell
and Miss E.L. Beck
The engagement is announced
between Jeff, younger son of
Captain and Mrs Ross Bell, of
Honolulu, Hawaii, and Emma
Louise, second daughter of Mr
and Mrs Pourse, and Maria,
only daughter of Lt Col H.A. Louise, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Clive Beck, of 2 Parkside Gardens, Wimbledon,

Mr A.J. Beltrami and Miss C.E.E. Bentley
The engagement is announced
between Adrian, second son of
Mr and Mrs J. Beltrami, of Mr and Mrs J. Betram, or Bothwell, Lanarkshire, and Charlotte, only daughter of Mr and Mrs M.R. Bentley, of Combe St Nicholas, Somerset.

Mr T.J. Brocklebank-Fowler mr 1 J. Brocklebank-Fowler and Miss V.S.A. Richards The engagement is announced between Timothy John, younger son of Mr Christopher Brocklebank-Fowler, of Flitcham, Norfolk, and Mrs Joan Brocklebank-Fowler, of Green Realings Suffells and

Great Bealings, Suffolk, and Victoria Stephanie Amy, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs David Richards, of Eastleach, Mr N.J.D. Chapma and Miss J.A.J. Runbell The engagement is announced between Nicholas, elder son of Mr D.P. Docwra-Chapman, of

Belgravia, London, and Mrs R.D. Cameron, of Henfield, Sussex, and Julia, second daugh-ter of Mr R.E.R. Rumboll, of Jersey, Cl, and Mrs J.M. Rumboll, of Toot Baldon, Orficelchim Oxfordshire.

Mr J.T. Conybeare-Cross The engagement is announced between James Thomas, only son of Lt Col J. Conybeare-Cross and the late Mrs J. Conybeare-Cross, of Oxford, and Camilla Theodosia, elder

daughter of Mr J.M. Robb and the late Mrs J.M. Robb, of Napier Avenue, London SW6. Latest wills

Lord Chesham of Preston Candover, Hampshire, former transport minister, left estate valued at £580,372 net. Mr Geoffrey David Mortimer Willoughby, of London N6, commercial lawyer, left estate valued at £2.218,126 net. He left his estate to his family. Mr Denis Thomas Sansed, of Braughing, Hertfordshife, left Cobham, Surrey, late of A. E. cstate valued at £2,506,424 net.

and Mrs Vaughan, of Morland, Cumbria. Mr A.M. Eastwell and Miss J.J. Scott

The engagement is announced between Martin, eldest son of Mr and Mrs G.J. Eastwell, of Darlington, Co Durham, and Jane (Dotto), youngest daughter of Commander David Scott and

the late Mrs Judy Scott, of Brook, Lyndhurst, Hants. Mr J.R.M. Glasse The engagement is announced between James, son of Mr J.J.M. Glasse and the late Mrs Glasse, of the Old Rectory, Milton Bryan, Bedfordshire, and Louisa, twin daughter of Mrs Holmes and the late Major

Marriages

Major P.R.L. Hunter Major P.R.L. Hunter and Miss A.J. Francis The marriage took place on Saturday, March 3, at St Mary's Church, Monmouth, between Major Peter Hunter, The Life Guards, and Miss Alexandra Francis. The Reverend James Courts officieted The bride who was given in

marriage by her father was attended by Miss Deborah Haslam, Miss Kate Horsfall, Master Robert Horsfall and Master Archie Matheson, Lt Colonel Watt was best man.

The reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon is being spent in the

Captain A. Blackmore and Miss L. Scott-Harden The marriage took place on

Morgan Publications, left estate valued at £2,268,888 net; his wife, Lillian Henrietta, left es-tate valued at £882,615 net. Mr Alec William Blackwell, of London W1, solicitor, left estate valued at £2,818,481 net. Mrs Violet Dorothy Trevor Mills, of London SW7, left estate valued at £2,810,931 net.

The engagement is announced between Daniel, second son of Mr and Mrs Tom Elwes, of Burgh, Norfolk, and Márcia, danghter of Sr and Sra Panio Vergueiro, of São Paulo, Brazil

Mr C.L.M. Graham and Miss A.P. Damasceno

The engagement is announced between Charles, elder son of Mr and Mrs Donald Graham, of Little Bedwyn, Wiltshire, and Analida, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Francisco G.P. Damasceno, of São Paulo, Brazil

Mr P.C.M. Lewis

and Miss N.C. Steengracht van Moyland The engagement is announced between Patrick, elder son of Mr C.D.M. Lewis and Mrs P.F. Bowles, of North Walsham, Norfolk, and Nicola, youngest daughter of Baron and Baroness Steengracht van Moyland, of Monmouth, Gwent.

D.P.E. Holmes, of Rock House, Washington, West Sussex.

Saturday, March 3, at St Peter's Church, Croft, of Captain Adrian Blackmore, The Queen's Royal Irish Hussars, son of Mr and Mrs Stanley Blackmore and Miss Lucy Scott-Harden, daughter of Mr and Mrs Anthony Scott-Harden. The Rev Richard Cooper officianed.

The bride was given away by her father and was attended by Miss Tanin Still, Miss Alice Lowther, Miss Rebecca Ling, Sam Still, Alistair Coldrey, Major Hugh Pierson was best man.

A guard of honour was formed by Warrant Officers and senior ranks of The Queen's

senior ranks of The Queen's Royal Irish Hussars. The reception was held at West Hall, Middleton Tyas, and the honeymoon is being spent in the Carribean.

Mr William Dryden Foord, of Chislehurst, Kent, left estate valued at £1,356,463 net. Mrs Janet Spalding Kay, of Garstang Lancashire, left estate valued at £1,032,207 net. Mrs Caroline Margaret Sedgwick Adams, of Hinton, Saxmundham, Suffolk, left estate valued at £820,314 net. She left bequests of effects and a third of the residue to the

National Trast

Church news

The Right Rev Harry Moore, recently retired as General Secretary of the Church Missionary Society, is to be Honorary Assistant Bishop, diocese of

Canon Richard Lewis, Vicar, St Barnabas, Dulwich, diocese of Southwark, and an Honorary Canon of Southwark Cathedral, is to be Dean of Wells, succeeding the Very Rev Patrick R. Mitchell, who has been ap-pointed Dean of Windsor. Canon Christopher Herbert, Vicar, St Thomas on the Bourne, Farnham, diocese of Guildford, is to be the next Archdeacon of Dorking He is likely to take me. likely to take up his appoint-ment in September on the retirement of the Ven Peter

Other appointments Other appointments
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Latest appointments include: Lord Justice Legatt to be a member of the Privy Council on his appointment as a Lord Justice of Appeal.

Appointments

Miss Llyweia Harris, director of music at the School of S. Mary and S. Anne, Abbots Bromley, to be Warden of the Royal School of Church Music, Addington Palace, from September, in succession to Miss Janette Cooper.

Mr Malcalm Postgate to be Registrar and Chief Executive of St Paul's Cathedral on April 1, in succession to Mr Peter Long, who retires as Registrar and Receiver after 40 years' service to the cathedral. Mr Richard Alles and Mr Dennis Battle to be Commis-

sioners of Customs and Excise. Mr Jef Smith to be General a Secretary of Counsel and Care for the Eldedy from May 1. He succeeds Mr John Hobart

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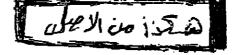
A soirce musicale will be held in the State Apartments of St. James's Palace on March 26. The recital, by Yo Yo Ma with Kathryn Stott, will be attended by HRH the Duchess of Kent. There are only fifty tickets left, at £125 including champagie reception and dinner, from Appeal Office, 14 Ogle Street, London W1, 01-486 3173.

Knighthood for judges

Knighthoods are to be conferred on Mr Justice Ferris and Mr Justice Wright on their appointment as Justices of the High Court of Justice.

7.45

Royal games Prince Edward will open the Western Canada Summer Games in Winnipeg in July.



ANNOUNCEMENTS & PERSONAL

For B is when the Lord thinks well of a person that he is ready approved, and not when he thinks well or himself. Corinthians 10 ; 18 ptintks - On February 23rd, to Pully and Debble, a son, william Peter. GARPENTER - On March 2nd 1990, to Shirity (hée Daniel) and Nell, a daughter, i Christina, at Eating Hospital. pickpeson - On March 4th, to Flora (née Thompson) and bist, a son, Gregory Robert Geoffrey, a brother for Thomas and Alistatr. Alistair, a son, Simon Guy, a MELL - On March 4th, PickitHALL - On Sunday March 4th, to Winkie (nic Dagnall) and Mark, a Pickiet', Guy Murcott. Aristopher.

JERTSON - On February
25th, to Maristone (née
Flysz) and Marcus, a son,
Behedici Maxwell, a brother ME - On March 2nd, to Han (née Bleikamp) and st. a son. Edward John **SOUTHEATH - On February 24th 1990, to Joanna (nés-Donaldson) and Crispin, a son. Richard. a brother for

John, much loved by his wife Maureep and children Moira, Chire, Kevin, Bernadotte, Anne and Michael and his

1990. at Kings College Hospital. Pamiline Jessie Mary Morgan Mesed and lowed by all. Resting at: Co-Operative Funeral Home. Rye Lame. SE15. London. Funeral Services will take shace at Honor Oak Crematorism. on Friday March 9th at 49m. All flowers torsays to be sent to the Co-Operative Funeral Home. 202 Rye Lame. SE15. London. Dey. of Sharow. Rison. Yorishire, Sormarty Administrative Officer at the University of London. Senate House, Filmetal Survice at Stonetall Cressatorium. Har-rogate, on Friday Harch 9th at 2.30 pm. Any entuline: F. Lowley & Son Ltd... 13 Low Stellgate, Ripon. Yorkshire, telephone; (0765) 2294. Morgan Missed and loved by all. Rusting at: Co-Operative Funeral Home, Rye Lane, SE15. London, Funeral Ser-vices will take place at Honor Oak Cressatorium, on Priday March 9th at 45m. All flow-ers (strays) to be sent to the Co-Operative Funeral Home, 202 Rye Lane, SE15. London. HAMBUVELL - On March 3rd
1990. Kay (Cottbieen Mary).
of Taiber House. Elegendre.
Shropshire. Funers! at
Ellessnere Purish Church at
Hoon on March 10th 1990.
No flowers please, but
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and grandfather of Ogennes.
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followed. DOUBLAS. - On March 4th 1990, peacefully in hospital, Hilda Mary, of Beanstater, Dorset. Funeral Service to lake place at the Yeovil Cresnaturium on Thunday-March 8th at 2 pm. Donations if desired for the British Heart Foundation. e/o. At family funeral on March Str., followed by Memorial Service on Therebay March 18th at St. Peter's Church, Weston Pavell, Northampton at 2.30 pm. Family Hower only hot donations, if desired, for Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street, to Ann Bonham and Son Funeral Directors, 71 St. Gilles Street. Northampton. BUNCAN - On March 4th 1990, suddenly, Hugh, father of Citye, father-in-law of Aposto, systematics, and from Distance of Calve, father of Calve, father of Calve, father haw of Angele, grandfather of Flons, Caroline and Alandetr. Funeral Service at Bournesmouth Crementorium on Wednesday March 14th at 11.30 am, Family flowers only please, donations if desired to St Thomas' Church, Lymington, may be sent to Diamond & Son Funeral Directors, 9-11 Lower Buckiand Road, Lymington, Hands. Switzertand, on March 5th at 2 pm.

BOAR - On March 3rd, Florence Maud (Marcy), stuch loved intoher of Valentie and sister of Rose. Puneral Service at Christohurch, New Malden, Surney, at 2.15 pm on Monday March 12th, followed by committed at Knopston. Creimstortein. Enquiries to Mentr & Cotterfit, 169 Merton Road, Wandowerth, 5W18 5EQ, tel: 01-874 7698.

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2nd 1990, at Bournersouth,
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STAVELEY - On March 5th 1990, suddenly. Jean Richey, formerly of Southwood. Rich tap-Mall. beloved wife of the late Edward and much loved transformer or Preserva and Lincoln Jopa, Puneral en Priday March 9th 11 am at Putney Vale Crematorium. Donations in her memory would be welcomed by WOMAC (Women on the move against Cancer), 32 Gibbert Road, London SE11. mother and grander Funeral Service at Mos LOVERROVE - On March 1st 1990, peacefully at Greenwich District Hospital.

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1990, Youssef Saleh, aged
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MARCH 7

The first of a series of articles in Charles Stewart Parnell (1846-91), Leader of the Irish Par-Jamentary Party was accused of criminal conspiracy. A fourth article on April 18 reproduced a letter from him which implied that he condoned the Phoenix Park murders by the Invincibles in 1882, But The Times had made a colossal blunder: the letter was proved to be a forgery.

PARNELLISM AND CRIME

A RETROSPECT: IRELAND Mr Parnell warned us in the debate choice lies between the League and the Invincibles. There is no alternative. The Government must abdicate in favour of Mr Parnell's despotic organisation or confront the dreadful existence of secret societies, with the revival of agrarian and political crime in its worst .the criminals. The Government "will not be able to stop murder."

As a constitutional statesman Mr Parnell does not rely on bare assertion; he "points his moral" by references to "ancient history" and enriches his argument with illustrations from the Land League agitation and the Invincible conspiracy. Under the first Coercion Act, he admonishes us, "a secret conspiracy grew up under the very nose of Mr Forster, directed against Mr Forster's own life, and similar conspiracies existed throughout Ireland against the lives of landlords and others. Then came the terrible tragedy in the Phoenix Park, and it was followed by the most stringent coercive enectment, both against political agitation and crime, ever passed against Ireland by England."

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* and the party

Even the Crimes Act, in Mr Parnell's judgment, had "a very a partial success." "Its administration was answered from America by dynamite and other attempts at assassination and conspiracy."
Dynamite," be reminds Londoners, was repeatedly exploded in the crowded streets of your city; your ened, and attempts were made to destroy them. Even in the House of Commons the Ministers of the day were not safe from violent attack and Attempts to assessinate by the dis-Sharp of explosive bombs from the Radical statesmen...

Strangers' Gallery. And after all the so terrible events, after all this loss of life, some upon the scaffold, many more victims of the wild justice revenge," the Conservatives dropped the Crimes Act, while its authors and administrators strove to make the Land League the government of

nounced guilty of "some dark and villanous design" against human life. In August, 1879, Davitt negotaited a small loan from the Fenian war chest to start the "constitutional movement" Davitt's "negonal friend" held its first meeting in October, and Mr Parnell was appointed president. (Interview between Davitt and Mr Balch, special correspondent of the

we may be, will be satisfied until we

keeps Ireland bound to England." Mr Parnell found that sentence troublesome last May, and, not for the first time, disclaimed it as a calumny. Two days later, a correspondent confronted him in The Times with the special report published in the Irish World of March 6. 1880. Ford himself has since gently rebuked, and magnanimously par-doned the moral cowardice of his

September 4, 1886). But treason is not our main charg against Mr Parnell and his friends. Treason, in these days of flabby tolerance, is leniently regarded as a political indiscretion, not as the deadly offence it is against the commonwealth. Rebellion is sin no

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Many sites of this Lower

Palaeolithic period are in

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Pontnewydd, near Rhyl in

North Wales, where the re-

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have been found, but a

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and other implements as they

Modern extraction meth-

ods, however, mean that "any

tools are whisked away into

crushers or lorries before any-

one can spot them or study the

contexts to which they be-

long", according to Dr Jane

Renfrew, of Cambridge

The problem of reconciling

commercial and heritage in-

acute, she says in the Pre-

historic Society's newsletter

Past, with the proposed quarrying of a site at Dunbridge in the Test Valley

bridge lies between Salisbury

and Romsey, where the River Dun joins the Test, and where

The existence of a Lower

Palaeolithic site at Dunbridge

has been known since the

beginning of this century, and

more than a thousand tools

are scattered across two dozen

museums. Recent study has

shown that may of them are in

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open-air camps and work- of southern Hampshire. Dun-

moved into southern Britain a large area of gravel is

try have been found during exceptionally fresh condition,

took out the gravel by hand.

gravel working: sharp-eyed and may still lie where they Solent basin, as well as its diggers recovered flint axes were used, while others have archaeological interest. The

been blunted and rolled by

redeposition of some of the

Most of the tools are Acheu-

lean handaxes, but some are of

later forms, indicating occupa-

tion by successive generations

of early hunters from around

300,000 to about 125,000

Britain, Dunbridge being one, have yielded sufficiently large

quantities of tools for the

structure of the stone-working

industry to be properly analysed, and Dr Renfrew says

that it is surprising that no

coherent programme of re-

search has ever been carried

The site is now threatened

by a proposal to extract gravel

over 18 hectares (45 acres) to a

depth of six metres (20 feet),

which would obliterate the

The Nature Conservancy

Council has made part of the

area an SSSI (site of special

scientific importance) because

of the importance of the

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ment gave permission last

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tion to go ahead, with a

English Heritage archaeologi-

hardly seems an adequate way

of monitoring the high-speed

mechanical destruction of the

deposits," Dr Renfrew says.

Nearly two centuries of

intensive gravel extraction in

southern Britain mean that

the number of locations which

material is rapidly diminish-

ing. Those in which parts of

the original deposits survive

intact are even more scarce:

the fact that at Dunbridge

some of the tools may still be

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have destroyed the last link which

longer in the eyes of Irish arch-hishops, or crime in the judgment of

The Land League may claim "apostolic succession," from earlier conspiracies, as the National League derives its mission from the Land appropriately started by Fenians out of Fenian funds. Its "father" is Michael Davitt, a convicted Fenian, ment," Davitt's "personal friend" Patrick Ford, was the honest broker between the Fenian trustees and the Land League financier. That body

Dillon sailed for America, and immediately communicated with Ford and the principal Fenian exered on his tour. They were frankly revealed his "ultimate goal." "None of us," be declared, "whether we are

leader's denial. (The Irish World,

treatment against malaria has given researchers a cine about sible new way to develop a male contraceptive pill. Writing in the latest issue of Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, vol 87,

pp 1431-1435), M. James Cosentino and Ruth E. Pakyz, of Millersville University, Pennsylvania, and Joseph Fried, of the University of Chicago, describe how a majaria drug called PYR has a strong but reversible contra-

The malaria clue came from clinical reports of reduced fertility in human males undergoing treatment with an malaria drug called sulfasaiazine. PVR, another anti- high dosage. maiarial, works in a similar way, but only now has its every kilo of body weight per effects on the fertility of male day is needed to halt sperm mice been worked out. The mice, given courses at otherwise lasty male atouse.

An unfortunate side-effect of PYR mixed with honey, seemed healthy and behaved quite normally. The chemical had a drastic effect on the production of sperm in the mice that was related to dose. But although sperm production could be halted completely, the concentration of the male hormone testosterone in the blood remained normal. Furthermore, the effects of PYR were reversible: stopping the drug led to a gradual return to fertility.

This seems to fulfil all the ceptive effect on male mice and demands expected of a male contraceptive: it can be taken orally, has a strong but specific effect that is also reversible, and has no untoward effects on behaviour or sex drive. But there is a catch: the A dose of 200 milligrams for

production completely in an

Rats need a dose twice as strong, 400 mg per kilo per day. Assuming (and it is a large assumption) that human physiology is, near enough, a scaled-up version of rat physiology, a 200-pound rugby player in search of complete contraceptive confidence would need to take more than an ounce of pure PYR every

This would make for a truly man-sized contaceptive pill but might make the taker feel rather unwell. The female contraceptive pill works, essentially, by hormone replacement, simulating the hormonal balance characteristic of pregnancy. But PYR was not developed as a contra-ceptive: it is a chemical that interferes with the biochemistry of the malarial parasite, and would probably hinder that of the host, too, if administered in large

aware of this, of course, and show that a longer course of a lower dosage also reduces mouse fertility significantly (although not completely) and without side effects. Another route to male contraception, developed by Paul Primakoff, of the Univer-

sity of Connecticut, and his colleagues, is to vaccinate guinea pigs with a protein involved in fertilization, when a sperm meets an egg (Science Report, October 6 1988). The body develops antibodies against the protein, thus preventing conception. Because antibodies last for only a limited time, this strategy is reversible. This idea was tested with female contraception in mind, but it works inst as well in male guinea pigs

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TELEVISION Sheridan Morley

The ITV slot at 9pm on Tuesday has traditionally been reserved for snobbery with violence; shows like Capital City and Making News which seem to have been written as the dramatic equivalent of airport paperbacks, in which the characters are almost as thick as the pagination. The new one, which promises, or at least threatens to see us through into June, is Chancer, a weird mix of Serious Money and Howards Way, in which a likely lad sets out to save an ailing car factory from bankruptcy after an inferno.

The clash of old and new money is, as usual, deafening, but what matters here are the supporting performances: Leslie Phillips as a wonderfully vicious old queen in charge of a City corporation. Benjamin Whitrow as the head of the ancient family firm with something nasty and distinctly Gothic going on in the attic, Peter Vaughan as the sinister foreign millionaire and, in the title role, Clive Owen, a newcomer whose acting suggests that he has already been overtaxed by the effort of ig for the cover of this week's

Not since the sad demise of the Danziger Brothers Studio in the 1950s have quite so many respectable actors been asked to utter quite so many apalling lines.
On Channel 4, Out on Tuesday

is likely to provoke the most scandalized reactions of the week: a gay and lesbian magazine pro-gramme of breathtaking prime-time courage and tastelessness. Last night it considered the plight of lesbian yuppies, gays in the crush bar of the Royal Opera House, and why it is that 20 Conservative MPs are reckoned still to be locked in the closet. As Matthew Parris explained, coming out is still the kiss of death for a Thatcher Tory. That was almost the best line of the programme, though it was eventually beaten by an opera-goer who solemnly an-nounced that *Madame Butterfly* was "more relevant" to his gayness than anything he had managed to find in the whole of South London. "One Fine Day" is never going to sound the same again in Wimbledon:

A s he struggles through the 6,000 responses to Richard Wilding's report Supporting the Arts, Richard Luce, the

Arts Minister, may wish he had never commissioned it. In December 1988 he proposed

an inquiry "to review the structure and organization of support for the arts". It was to pay especial attention to accountability, coherence and procedures. Instead the inquiry has provoked a heated debate. What was needed was a total restructuring. But perestroika cannot happen in a void. It requires a vision of what is to be restructured.

Where there should have been a clear Government statement about the cultural and economic importance of the arts in the 1990s, a determination to widen access, participation and opportu-

Void where vision shoul

increasing Government investment, there was only Richard Luce's limited and mechanistic

When the report was first published, many people, including myself, who had feared that the report would centralize power with the Arts Council and the Office of Arts and Libraries, were relieved and delighted that Mr Wilding recognized the good work of local authorities and recommended a federal partnership between the Arts Council and Regional Arts Associations.

However, closer reading and analysis began to raise doubts. Depending on how it is implemented, the federal structure

present set-up, perhaps even more so. The full Arts Council is set to meet only four times a year, with most decisions being taken by a smaller Executive Committee on which the regions would have only one seat. Although all the RAA Chairs are to have a seat, the Arts Council is enlarged to make sure the regions are still in the minority. It is a funny form of partner-

in the national interest. But regional doubts over structure are nothing compared to the anger expressed over Mr Wilding's proposal that the new Regional Arts Boards (RABs) should cease to develop or fund arts projects

ship that does not trust them to act

educational provision for a particular community". This

should be left to local authorities. If implemented this would affect all disability arts and community arts clients, most work with minority groups, youth projects and the dance animateur movement. Most local authorities are taking increasing responsibility for such work, but to devolve funding in this way, coinciding with the introduction of the poll tax, would be an act of wanton

Controversy of a different kind has been provoked by Mr Wild-ing's proposals to reduce the number of RABs from the present

kept in a minority on the Arts Council. His preference for seven RABs involves merging Northern Arts and Yorkshire Arts, creating one Midlands region stretching from Nottingham to Worcester, an Eastern region from North Humberside to Watford, and a South Western area from Cheltenham to Penzance. The Minister has felt the full fury of both

Northern and Yorkshire. More surprisingly, the recom-mendation that the Crafts Council should become part of the Arts Council has come under attack. The crafts world has bombarded the Minister with objections, as have leading designers.

Mark Fisher, the shadow arts minister, says that the Government's response to the Wilding Report so far has been mechanistic It is likely that Mr Luce will reprieve the Crafts Council, stop any merger of Yorkshire and Northern Arts, and back off from the wrong-headed devolution of social and educational projects But he has to find a way of creating some form of federal partnership.

Since the success of a federal system will depend on the good. will of both partners, he would be well advised to pass this problem back to the Arts Council and RAAS/RABs and tell them to present him with a jointly agreed plan within three months.

Even if he does, no amount of administrative rejigging will set in the arts for the expansion and perestroika that ought to take place in the 1990s. For that we need a Government, such as there is in France, with a positive a

Rootsy revival of true grit

FIOCK Mike Nicholls

> **Tears for Fears** Wembley Arena

You've got to hand it to Tears for Fears. Rarely have such a successful band (album sales of 15 million and rising) broken so many of the rules in the conservative pop game. After spending almost half a decade making their third LP, the last two singles barely made the Top 30. Yet the band can sell out three nights at Wembley, garner-ing deafening receptions with their stage act.

Naturally, it is down to the songs. Roland Orzabel, throwing discreetly tongue-in-cheek rock star shapes, writes grand soaring tunes that manage to sound more epic than pompous. When he and his partner, singer and bassist Curt Smith, played the Hammersmith Odeon in 1985 it was like watching the Philharmonic not an arrangement out of place. That was hardly surprising, when you considered the number of computers on stage.

In contrast, the current album (The Seeds of Love) and tour is something of a back-to-nature affair. The new material is more spontaneous, with even the odd

to break out. The innocence and elegance of the Songs From The Big Chair era have been replaced by some gritty rock 'n' roll, the inevitable consequence of playing countless American stadiums.

This is precisely what happened to another early-Eighties UK duo with a large upwardly mobile following Eurythmics. Like them, Tears for Fears have surrounded themselves with a sterling selection of session musicians, including William Gregory on sax and keyboards, and Neil Taylor on sub-heavy metal guitar. More conspicuous still is former hotel lounge pianist Oleta Adams, whose rootsy playing is largely responsible for the band's change in direction.

Despite having reinvented themselves, the group have not abandoned their back catalogue. All the revamped old favourites were presented alongside the new:
"Pale Shelter", "Woman in "Pale Shelter", "Woman in Chains", "The Working Hour", "Head Over Heels" and "Badman's Song", these last two delivered with vicious aplomb.

The show finally climaxed with a mad cacophony of whistles, rapping, brass and percussion, indicating that Tears for Fears have made the transition from CD-friendly eccentrics to a world class act. They might not yet be league champions, but they are certainly in the top half of the first **Jasper Rees**

Randy Crawford Albert Hall

Vic. the dull-witted Midlands industrialist in David Lodge's Nice Work, has a soft spot for Randy Crawford, but Lodge was not the first to hint at the biandness of Randy. People have long been remarking that with its mechani-cal glissandos, its functional upsand-downs, Crawford's voice is most at home in elevators.

In a sense they are right. As elevators go, the Royal Albert Hall is on the cavernous side, but the sound Crawford emits from her almost as cavernous mouth easily filled the space, and it took her andience, among them a high proportion of Vics (plus wives), up where they wanted to go. In the words of the Dylan song she has covered on her new album Rick and Poor, she had them knocking on heaven's door.

The sky seems to be the most productive working environment for the woman who sang "One Day I'll Fly Away" (which sounded slightly strangulated in this show), as it is here she picks up all her handiest metaphors. With a repertoire full of songs like "You Bring The Sun Out", "Rainy Night In Georgia" and (from the new LP) "Cigarette in the Rain",



Crawford: elevator style had them knocking on heaven's door

Fish of soul.

But though she tends to sing about the drizzle, Crawford has never been one to put a dampener on things. Her nattering between songs frequently broke down when laughing fits intervened; she only managed to dredge up a straight face to introduce songs from Rick and Poor. She used the trusty sales technique of performing the new stuff more spiritedly than the old. But in truth it is not one of her better albums.

For all the simpering of her meteorological ballads, one would

Crawford has become the Michael like to hear her sing more up-fish of soul. Need Somehody", with which she opened, and "Street Life", with which she closed. And there should have been fewer slumbering covers like Lennon's "Imagine", with which she encored.

But however drab the song, however repetitive the raincheck lyrics, and however charmless the accompaniment (her seven-man average white band was nothing if not charmless), Crawford's advantage is that her liquid voice is worth listening to in any setting. Including elevators.

damage those he wants to help. And in the final play, less naturalistic than the previous two, a modish couple flaunt their possessions, their eating habits, even their sex life at Vanek in an increasingly distraught attempt to lure the hermit from his

wilderness. As energetically performed by Seamus Newham and Simon Mattacks, Louise Bangay and John Peters, these people end by emerging almost more sympathetically than Vanek himself. They too are victims of political nastiness but, so far from enjoying the consolation of good con-science, their lot is humiliation and self-hatred. "It's sickening, the depths we have reached. opines Peters's sold-out intellectual. "Will the nation ever

Back in November, history gave

Muted in jubilee

RECITAL

Stephen Pettitt

Melos Quartet Festival Hall

Such was the tumultuous greeting accorded to Mstislav Rosto povich when he walked on to the platform on Monday night that an accidental observer would be for given for thinking the evening to have been in honour of him. He this was the second half of the concert, and he had not been the for the first. Then it was just the more regular members of Melos Quartet, who began this celebration of their silver jubile with a performance of Schuber's D minor String Quartet Denis and the Maiden.

Over the years this quartet has given us valuable recordings and live performances — the staple dist of repertoire. Nevertheless, their playing is characterized more by healthy solidity than by transcendental inspiration. It also gogs against modern practice, as epitimized by young groups like the Vogel Quartet from East Germany, heard in London just a

couple of weeks ago.

The Vogels delineated their colours, phrasing and rhythms with utmost clarity, whereas last night the Melos tended to smooth and refine, even sometimes in blur. Partly for that reason, and despite the grateful ripeness of the slow movement, this was a doji performance, with an insufficient ly dramatic first movement, a hurried, messy Scherzo, and a Finale which could also have been given more space, presto marking

At the grand entrance afteranother qualm, that Schuberts great, dark-tinted C major String Quintet, the piece for which Rostropovich had come, might ke turned into a cello concerto. B was, after all, the only musical dressed in tails. Instead he sit deferentially at the second cellist desk and in a performance rather better than ordinary went on \$ blend well with the others particularly with his excellent fellowcellist. Peter Buck, in the fifth movement's lovely duet. More over, the vast Adagio was given with magnificent control.

burst of improvisation threatening MARILYN KINGWILL

Anatomy of one nation's deceit

The Vanek Plays Lyric Studio

When I first saw Vaciav Havel's three short plays, some 10 years ago in Richmond, their subject was very obviously the difficulty of avoiding compromise in an oppressive Czechoslovakia. After all, their author was still in the position of his character Vanek. He shuttled between menial jobs and a prison cell, embarrassing, upsetting and alienating many of his fellow-countrymen with his moral imperturbability.

a historical document nor as triumphalist reminiscence. On the contrary, it leaves you feeling that winning the peace may be as hard publicly saying: that lies erode the human spirit, and honesty, once

But that is less of a dramatic liability than it might sound,

Parody and dangerous integrity

strings, written last year and presented in a uniform, if ex-

pressive, style of grand rhetoric. The same creative journey, begun in doubt and completed, at

least for the moment, in a dan-

gerous integrity, could readily be shown in Davies' pieces of about a

With both composers it remains

isier to admire the bite of the

earlier music than the grim determination of the later, whose

coherence can be interpreted as a

tough achievement against the demons of variety and irony, or

less happily as a side-stepping of

Both composers, though, also share the luck, if that is what it is, of attracting the dedication of

outstanding performers: here we

decade earlier in each case.

people, far from it. The chief maltster in the brewery where Vanek carries barrels has to drink

ery will take time.

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ETENTHEATRES (V. Benedict Nightingale

Now Havel is, unbelievably, president of his country; yet his

CONCERT

Paul Griffiths

Moscow Soloists/

Bashmet Barbican Hall

Alfred Schnittke's apologists are

always insisting that comparisons

with Western composers, es-

pecially Maxwell Davies, are mis-

taken, and yet here was a

programme that seemed to make the point with complete sureness.

Before the interval we heard the

First Concerto Grosso of 1977,

with its stylistic range from Bach

and Vivaldi to Cage and Ligeti,

and its parodies flying scared (a tango in a baroque finale). Then at

the start of the second half there

was the Monologue for viola and

OPERA

John Higgins

Otello Covent Garden

After the heady high-tension of

Elektra, one of the Royal Opera's

finest achievements in recent sea-

sons, even Verdi's *Otello* can seem

on occasion a bit pedestrian. The

impression was compounded by

the feeling that in the second

revival of the year Covent Garden

is fielding the B team: no Do-

But there is the Desdemona of

Ljuba Kazarnovskaya, making her

debut with the company. She is

one of a number of Russian artists

to pick up British contracts follow-

ing the appearance of the Kirov

Opera two summers back - there

is a chance to hear the baritone

Vladimir Chernov on the road at

the moment in Scottish Opera's

Forza. With the Kirov she was

heard as Tchaikovsky's Tatyana;

her Desdemona has something of

the same shy courtesy. The mo-

mingo, no Kleiber.

lost, will take time to recover.

The point is the stronger for Havel's unerring refusal to ideal-ize his main character or to damn his less principled acquaintances. Vanek is mild, unassuming and, as performed by Tom Knight at the Lyric Studio, pretty dull. You cannot imagine him brandishing a fist or a flag, or doing anything with a barricade except earnestly wonder what it might be.

because his very passivity drives

of self-accusation and self-iustification. The less arrogantly he behaves, the more inferior they feel. The less he judges them, the as winning the war. All three plays more they believe themselves suggest what their author has been judged. "No, really, I quite understand," he repeats; and most of them start flageliating themselves as hard as they are already hitting the bottle. That is because they are not bad

> himself half-blotto with beer before making his furtive plea: that Vanek will make the task of informing on him easier by writing secret memos about himself. A brandy-soused intellectual halfapologetically, half-defiantly squirms his way to the conclusion that signing a petition will actually

Tatyana Grindenko leading the

Concerto Grosso and Yuri Bashmet playing the viola piece that was specially composed for

Grindenko had perhaps the

hardest job, facing the challenge not only of Schnittke's music but

also of Kremer's playing in a piece

full of imitative writing and of

rapid switches between soloists.

But the eyes-closed test proved it exceedingly difficult to distinguish her knife-edge nervous brilliance from Kremer's.

Bashmet's performance was

also a triumph. His Monologue is a 20-minute slow movement, ranging over the viola from its

lowest notes (exploited at the start

in music that was marvellously

recalled halfway through by the

soloist with three cellos) to heights

spanning over the violins, and

from dead cold non-vibrato tone

to wild excited trills.

its optimistic answer to that question. But one cannot see these plays without realizing that recov-

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had not only the extraordinary Moscow Soloists as orchestra but also an exceptional line-up of Best effort

ment in Act II when, after the fatal

In some ways Kazarnovskaya ressembles her fellow Slav, Raina

there in the tenor with enough by B team

handkerchief has fallen to the ground, Desdemona asks for pardon if by any chance she has offended her lord, is handled with supreme delicacy: a mixture of humility and total surprise.

Kabaivanska. There is the dignity of bearing and a smoky quality to the soprano. But Kazarnovskaya clears the smoke from her lungs so that Desdemona can excel at the point where all Desdemonas must excel: in the Willow Song. The dreamy, troubled quality was there, with beautifully held pianissimi. At this point Edward Downes in the pit was at his most sympathetic. Earlier he showed little feeling for the ironies and

Vladimir Atlantov remains

sturdy and lutterly secure in the

title role. The clarion sheen is still

graces of the score.

baritonal quality for the closing fashioned, uncomplicated interpretation which perhaps makes Elijah Moshinsky's production look a bit more fustian than it is. Silvano Carroli's Iago added to that impression. Illness deprived

us of the French baritone, Alain Fondary (a ferocious Escamillo in the Earl's Court Carmen), in the part. Carroli was a no more than passable substitute: voice a bit thin at the top, tempi sometimes at odds with the conductor and a very routine approach to the part. Routine is not an adjective that should be applied to Otello and there are three more performances

in which to shake it off.

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All the nice girls love a prince

Thestory so far: Ms Celia Brayfield has written a nevel about a British prince that she hopes will be a best-seller. She is convinced that its commination of sex and romance is exactly what he modern woman requires, that no one .- noteven the most intelligent and mature of wome - is safe from the seduction of her hero, the idel man. Can it be true - and what might the indligent man make of this glimpse into his pamer's fantasy life? Two Times writers have rad the book - or as much of it as the publishrs will allow. Now read on . . .

omelay my prince will com As Barbara Cartid has known for years very woman wants a proc, a man with natural authory and handmade shoes, large erres, lean buttocks and a Royal larines dress uniform. An explive yet gentle sex-drive complethis charm, and it helps if he canso produce a few harmless little y insecurities for us to smoothaway with our female intuition

Princes are spial. Why else do we greet real to Dianas and Sarahs with meled adulation and bitchery? Because their princes have contand the supply is therefore runng out for the rest of us. Withyoung Prince Edward losing he rapidly and giving up Ruritani military style for good, perhat a collective panic has set in amg British and princes now t feed our ünliberated fantasies? We

yearning.

may be earning, but we are still Like all such ovels it is good It was, I sup**it describing** pose, only a matter of time bodies, and before an opportunist novelist decided to do aysmally bad what the Queen t describing failed to, emotion' fourth British

prince to keep the fantasy going until William outgres his Meccano set. After all, we could be simpler than to slip actional royal son into the leg gap between the Princes Royand the Duke of York, endow hiswith a muscular jaw and acceptae cars, and market him to theighing

The only startling thingbout Celia Brayfield's fat new tyel is that it has been writtenby a woman journalist of appently normal intelligence and publied by Carmen Callil of Chatto, hom everyone had thought to e a tough minded feminist. Nowhat both bave turned out to be ther shocking cynics or marshmaywhearted fools, unusually funus denunciations have appeare in various papers, and Mr Hald Brooks-Baker of Burke's Peege has been wheeled out to cry is nothing sacred?". To which is Callil replies that it is "a mode fairy story", and Ms Brayfid huffs that it is "the kind of box that comes out of a culture the exists between women" in which women endlessly discuss their se partners with one another (d they? Not at our school gate). A storms in crested teacups go, it has

all been good, knockabout fun. Which is more than can be said for the actual book, Hope flickered

Prince Richard Alexander William Nicholas. The fact that the initials spell PRAWN was promising, but here the satirical intent of the book begins and ends. There-after unfolds a flat tale of a cardboard royal and his Styrofoam girifriends. Ms Brayfield tries to placate the meritocrats: the prince, we are constantly told, is brilliant and idealistic and would. even if born to any other family in exalted position in the world". But no proof of this is ever offered: indeed, so much time does Richard spend partying mountaineer-ing, speeding and sniffing coke that without the royal cipher on his vest he would be hard pressed to hold down a backstage job for

Andrew Lloyd Webber.

Around this depressing young man revolve three beautiful, talented young women: one a repressed Sloane courtier with a Dark Family Secret, another a

Hollywood brat, who becomes a civil rights law-yer when her brothers get beaten up by racist police. In ditions Americanized formula fiction. they all have different colouring and figure faults so that we can all

identify. There is also a statutory Scheming Bitch to provide the more explicit sex, and a statutory Beautiful Nun doing war-work in the Lebanon. Which one ends up as the royal bride I do not know. since in a discourteous gimmick the 1,000 review copies have been sent out with the last chapters missing. But the flash-forward of the prologue implies that the prawn prince actually releases the news of his impending engagement while all three contenders are severally convinced that they are the bride.

Perhaps he turns Mormon and marries the lot; or perhaps Ms Brayfield's final coup de théâtre is to explain away his previous inconsistencies of character by revealing that the Queen had triplet boys some time in the early 1950s, all called Richard.

But never mind all that: it is no worse a book than any other cynically designed blockbuster full of knickers and brand-names and taut, pearly expanses of flesh. Like all such novels it is good at describing bodies, abysmally bad at describing emotion.

The interesting question is why both Ms Brayfield and Ms Calhi are convinced that it speaks to "a culture of women" and carries the power of a fairy-tale. The women briefly on page one when - after a in the story, after all, have all been creepy introduction about his to Cambridge, and two of them soft manner, hard mind and lean have proper careers. Their prince body", the author reverentially has no visible talent, despite a bit gives her hero his full name of of Falklands heroism, yet the



women fawn on him: none of them manages successful sex until the magic royal touch falls upon her tant and pearly bits.

All the women take a curiously servile sexual pose, there are Cartlandesque murmurs of "You're so strong..." and Girton College Cambridge must be quite insulted at Ms Brayfield's conviction that "the chief business of Girton's girls, whether they admitted it or not, was choosing their partners from the mass of masculinity around them". The women's movement might as well not have happened: I was at Oxford myself during the time she portrays and, enthusiastic as we were about social life, it would be a travesty to call it "the chief business" of young women whose intellectual lives were unfolding at dazzling

If the girls are merely empty vessels waiting for perfect sex with men, the man is also vacant. There are attempts to give him sensitive

Prince Of Wales-type feelings: but his star status is more important. The magic, for all his women, works best when paparazzi are snapping and equerties hovering: they want to be translated into another world, just like all the silly

Prince Charles in his bachelor days. Some of them - or their daughters by now - will probably buy The Prince for the old fantasy's sake: but they will find themselves fobbed off with an overblown frog.

There is a long and perfectly decent literary tradition of books which pander with harmless stylishness to female fantasies of being uplifted by men of higher rank: from Cinderella to Georgette Heyer via The Making of a Marchioness. This is not one of

> that it even tried to be. Libby Purves

them: but the wonder, in 1990, is

girls who used to hurl themselves

out of the sea to kiss the eauche

between the worlds of Jackie Collins and Barbara Cartland. The Prince may prove to be too restrained for readers of the former and too upsetting for Cartland's devoted fans. Shudders in the shires will surely reach danger levels when such lines as "His own mother liked him better when he was coked up and animated" are read

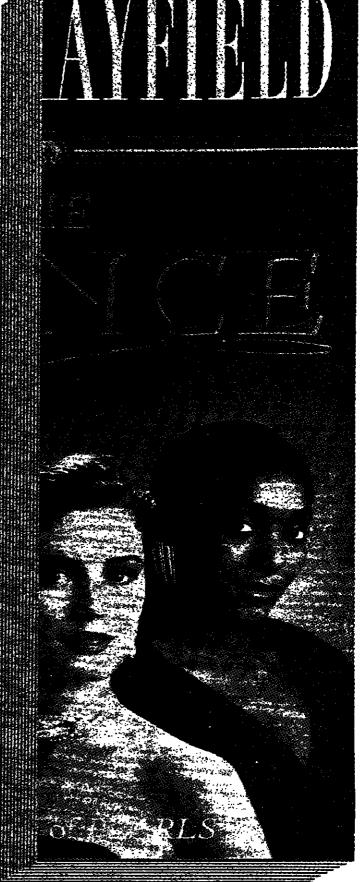
Perhaps the book has a wider appeal than both these models of women's fiction. Jackie Collins's world of power dressing and ruthless ambition is looking dated, and the soft-focus romance of Barbara Cartland is simply too distant from the increasingly complex and pressured lives of many women. The Prince contains the far-fetched but powerfully seductive idea that the right man can

In general, men are portrayed inadequacy. There is the seedy amateur paparazzi photographer, the manipulative but highly successful fashion photographer, the intense film buff and the the men that women know, and often have to live with. By comparison, Prince Richard is a straightforward chap whose life has been blighted by the demands of the job.

The three central female characters look to him to unravel their entanglements. There are women who believe that a man can do this, just as there are men who fantasize that they can sort out the problems of the world. While their wives read Lace or Riders, such men can be found reading thick paperbacks about tough guys who beat the Russians at their own game or win the war single-handed. If Sylvester Stallone is a success because he suggests that men believe they can be Superman, then writers such as Ms Brayfield sell books because they support the idea that women don't really wish to be Superwoman.

The Royal Family is treated with painstaking caution. The Queen is wise and compassionate, the Duke of Edinburgh barks and snaps without ever causing serious distress, the Prince of Wales is a genial young buffer who talks in Goon Show voices, and so on. Plot is hardly the central issue in this very British soap opera. The idea of setting a faintly plausible drama within the world of our Royal Family breaks a taboo which has invited defilement for some years. More intriguing than that is Ms Brayfield's notion of the prince as a symbolic creature with a power that no woman can resist. Otherwise self-possessed women, strong enough to throw aside men who oppress them or fail to match them, fall into Richard's bed and under his spell without a murmur of protest.

Rather cunning in the way it adopts the form of a progressive Mills & Boon bodice-ripper, The Prince has a liberal tone which is at odds with the core of the book. Immigration officials and policemen are racist, the passing of years is marked by miners' strikes or punk groups, and between bouts of conspicuous consumption the characters are reminded of the existence of Third World poverty. Within this radical landscape, however, lies a profoundly reactionary message. Ms Brayfield is clearly looking ahead to the demise of the New Man and the Post-Ferninist Woman. After disappointment in love, Prince Rich-



ard endures all the tortures of the Royal Family in sex, drugs and compensatory promiscuity, drink health and chastity like a proper New Man, he toughs it out to the bitter end, pouring "incoherent endearments" into any ear that will receive them.

Women who confront life headon become suspiciously helpless once they are within the royal orbit. Even Jocasta, the precocious American who has seen it all, falls backwards into a previous era: "She raised her head and her long lashes swept up. Obeying the small command was a delicious token of greater submission to come. The effort of bolding his gaze made her feel breathless." According to Ms Brayfield, this is the secret desire of all women.

She will no doubt assume that her theory is correct when her book rockets into the best-seller list. Whatever the detractors may hope, any book which embroils marriage must surely reap full The symbol of a rescuing prince has some resonance in the sense that women desire men who are not hopeless, helpless or treachcrous, and some readers may temporarily suspend their better judgement and interpret the book in this way for the sake of a good

The full extent of Ms Brayfield's belief in a prince's power to charm the most resolute feminist woman can be judged only after reading the final missing chapters Perhaps all three women reject him My money is on the unstable English rose, with a vasectomy for the prince, but perhaps that would be too much for the shares.

David Toop

● The Prince by Celia Brayfield will be published on March 29 by Chatto & Windus (£12.95)

Past pleasure

To help history come alive, the National Trust is launching an activity book called Making History, which en-courages children to create accessories for acting out their historical fantasies. The book provides the stiff paper shapes for making a creditable wig, fan, mask, crown or ruff, all based on original items from National Trust bouses. The ruff, for example, is modelled on one worn by Bess of Hardwick at Hardwick Hall in Derbyshire. The book will cost £7.50 from National Trust shops this spring. For a full list of National Trust events and activities from March 18, when the season opens, write

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Fat and female

There is evidence that the ideal imag of the female body is shifting once again to a more amily proportioned shape — as Adele Rootstein's "Shape of the Nincties" mannequin, with her 40in bust, would seem to indicate.



views and information

Margaret Greaves is a

psychologist who specializes in helping large women come to terms with their own selfimage - as she herself has done. Now she shares her experiences and research into social attitudes and historical perspectives in a book to be published tomorrow called Big and Beautiful: Challenging the Myths and Celebrating Our Size (Grafton Books, £11.95). Her book offers practical advice on everything

choosing clothes. Following so closely after Shelley Bovey's Being Fat is Not a Sin (Pandora, £4.99), and the formation of the London Fat

Women's Group, it seems to be part of a positive propaeanda campaien.

Period pieces

Devotees of art deco, art nouveau, Arts & Crafts and other furniture from the turn of the century to the 1960s should visit Art Furniture, recently moved to 158 Camden Street, London NW1 (01-267 4324). This is the company which hires out props for period films and television series such as Batman and Poirot, and just the place to find that post-war aluminium aircraft factory from positive thinking to furniture, 1920s cocktail cabi-

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net or Lloyd Loom chair. A 1930s radio might cost £30, an late condition £500. The shop is open from 10am-6pm seven

Healthy hotels



fibre alternatives to tra-ditional hotel fare and offering imaginative creations such as "filo baskets of crab with tomato and basil", "navarin of scallops, langoustine and coriander" and "mango and grape mousse". The consumer magazine also encourages diners to be more demanding and discriminating - to ask for wholemeal instead of white bread, and not be afraid to send dishes back if they are laced with butter or cream when you asked for them plain. The Americans have been doing it for years.

Victoria McKee

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THE HOUSE OF LOVE: See feature. Tonight: Cardiff University. Park Place (0222 396421), 8.30pm, £8. Frt: Albert Hall, Kensington Gore, London SW7 (01-568 8212); 7.30pm, £7-28. Sat: Reading-University (0734 860222). Sun: University of East Anglia, Norwich (0603 505401). Tues: Leicester Polytechnic (0633 555576). Continues through

THE INNOCENCE MISSION: Début UK appearance by the highly regarded Pennsylvanian quartet. Vocalist Karen Peris's utulating style is frequently likened to that of Kate Bush, but it also prompts comparisons with fellow Ameri-cans Stevie Nicks and Cyndi Lauper. Tonight: Borderline, Orange Yard, off Manette Street, London WC2 (01-497 2261), 8pm, 25.

LUSH: Flavour of the month, two boy/two girl group. Their Mad Love EP strikes a beguling belance between the spiky and dreamy extremes of the ubiquitous jangly guitar formula. Tonight: Dial, Willow Row, Derby (0332 372374), 8pm, £3-£3.50. Tomorrow: Sheffield University, Wastern Bank (0742 724078), 10pm, £1.70. Fri: Venue, 15 Calton Road, Edinburgh (031 225 4589), 9pm, £4.10. Sat: Glasgow College, 70 Cowcaddens Road (041 332 0681), 9pm, £4.50. Sun: Dance Factory. 1583), 9pm, 24.10. Set: Gil Ward Road, Dundee (0382 26836) 10.30pm, £3. Morc Riverside, 57-59 elbourne Street, Newcastle (091 261 4386), 8pm, 23. Tues: Burberries, 220 Broad Street, Birmingham (021 643 1500), 8pm, £3.50.

TEARS FOR FEARS: Their name co from a tract on Primal Therapy and their current musical inspiration from Beatles-Tonight: Wembley Arena, Empire Way (01-902 1284), 7.30pm, £12.50-£15.

EVERYTHING BUT THE QIRL: Shrinking violets Ben Watt and Tracey Thorn whose music has acquired a tuxedoed, an supper club sound on their latest album *The Language of Life.* Tonight: Civic Centre, London Ros Guildtord (0483 444555), 7.30pm, 27.50-£8.50. Fri: Harrogata Cor centre, Kings Road (0423 64433), 7.30pm, £7.50-£8.50. Sat **Edinb**u se, 18-21 Greenside Place (031 557 2590), 7.30pm, £7.50-£8.50. Sun: Apollo, Ardwick Green, Manchester (061 273 3775), 7.30pm, £7.50-£8.50. Mon: ld City Hall, Barkers Pool (0742 735295), 7.30pm, £7.50-£8.60.

WET WET WET: Now offering a stodgy diet of adult-soul, they are repidly turning into the Spandau Ballet of the Nineties. Tonight: Whitiey Bay Ice Rink, Hilheads Road (091 252 6240), 7.30pm, £12.50. Fri-Sun: NEC, Birmingham (021 780 4133), 7.30pm, £11-£13.

THE MISSION: Wayne Hussey and crew continue their efforts to recreate the odies, galloping tom tom tattoos and portentous song titles. Tonight: Uister Hell, Bedford Street

ast (0232 323900), 7.30pm, £7.50-28.50. Fri: Barrowlanda, 244 Gallov Glascow (D41 226 4879), 7,30pm, £8.10, Sun: Futurist, Foreshore Road, Scarborough (0723 365789), 7.30pm, 28. Mon: Newcastle City Hall, Northumberland Road (091 261 2606), 7.30pm, 28. **GEORGIA SATELLITES:** Boozy, bluesy,

good-rocking Atlanta quartet plugging their recent, unjustly neglected album in the Land of Salvation and Sin. Tonight: Sheffield Polytechnic, Pond Street (0742 738934), 8.30pm, £6. Fri:

SECOND .

independent scene the much-feted House Of Love (below) join the big boys this week. The group's impressive second album, Fontana, is the second highest new entry in the chart, and on Friday they perform at that most angust of the capital's venues, the Albert Hall. Led by singer and songwriter Guy Chadwick (second left in the photograph), the House Of Love convened four years ago in Camberwell, South London. They took as their inspirations the Rolling Stones (circa Beggars Banquer), the Velvet Underground, the Byrds and Television but nevertheless infused their music with an alert, buoyant feel and a delicate modern pop sensibility. They were quickly hailed as "the new Smiths", or something equally absurd, in the wake of an exceptional single "Shine On" released in 1987 and a début album the following year. For a while thereafter they lost their way. Many a protracted

fter a lengthy spell as godheads of the

recording session foundered and many an appearance at the ICA and elsewhere was unaccountably cancelled. Eventually dissent within the ranks led to the departure of founder guitarist Terry Bickers just before last Christmas. His replacement, at least until the end of this tour, is Simon Walker of the Dave Howard Singers. Their trick on Fontana remains the harnessing of gentle melodies to rhythm tracks of deceptive force, producing an effect rather like the placed surface of a river belying the ferocious undertow beneath. The essence of the music is therefore sometimes difficult to grasp, although, on record, there is no mistaking the light-headed mood of intoxication produced by such neo-psychedelic odes as "Hannah" and "32nd Floor". Whether they can muster the powers of projection needed to cope with the multi-tiered grandeur of the Albert Hall remains to be seen. See the listing for details of their concerts this week. David Sinclair



Light-headed intoxication

Set: Redown Bond, Makuba Road, Redcar, Cleveland (0642 480636), 7.30pm, 26. Sun: Maytair, Newgate Street, Newcastle (091 232 3109), 7pm, £6.30. Mon: Barrowlands, 244 Gallowgate, Glasgow (041 226 4679), 7.30pm, 27. Tues: Rock City, 8 Talbot Street, Nottingham (0602 412544), 8pm,

THE STRANGLERS: Reformed bêtes noires of the punk era now making topof-the-range pop records.
Tonight: Guildhall, Lancaster Road,

Preston (0772 58659), 7.30pm, £9. Tomorrow: Futurist, Foreshore Road, Scarborough (0723 365789), 7.30pm, £9. Fri: Apollo, Ardwick Green, Manch (081 273 3775), 7.30pm, 29. Sat: Shef-field City Hell, Barlers Pool (0742 735295), 7.30pm, 29. Sun: Hummingbird, Dale End, Birmingham (021 236 4236), 7.30pm, £9. Tues: Guildhall, Guildhall Square, Portsmouth (0705 824355), 7.30pm, £9.

WILL DOWNING: Full-trousered soul man best known for his manicured rendering of the John Coltrane standard. "A Love Supreme".

Tonight: Apollo, Ardwick Green, Manchester (061 061 273 3775), 7.30pm, Queen Caroline Street, London W6 (01: 748 4081), 7.30pm, £8.50-£9.50.

THEY MIGHT BE GLANTS: Bright, buzzy, eccentric Brooklyn duo of John Flansburgh and John Linnell. Renowned for their hyperactive arty videos, and disparate variety of sounds. They come across, on occasions, like Jonathan Richman on uppers.

Road, London N1 (01-837 3218), 8pm-THE FALL: Still the sublime enigme that grew out of the art-rock wing of punk more than a decade ago.

Tomorrow: Liverpool University, 2 Bedford Street North (051 794 2000), 7.30pm, 25.50-£6. Fri: Ber sity. Deiniii Roed (0248 351151), 7.30pm, £5.50. Set: Sunderland Polytechnic, Chester Road (091 514 5512), 7.30pm, 25.50. Mon: Guildhell, Lancaster Road, Preston (0772 58858), 6.45pm, 25.50. Tues: Leeds University, Liston Place (0532 439071), 7.30pm, 26.

UB40: Virtually the only British group (apart from Aswad) to have made a long-term, commercially successful career out of playing reggae, although their letest single seems to have flopped. Tomorrow, Fri: Brixton Academy, 211 Stockwell Road, London SW9 (01-326 1022), 7.30pm, £10.50. Sat, Sun: Wembley Arena, Empire Way, Middles 900 1234), 7.30pm, 212.50.

TOP 10 UK SINGLES

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	Dub Be Good To Me	
(3)	How Am I Supposed to Live Without You	Michael Bolton, CBS
(2)	Nothing Compares 2 U	Sinead O'Connor, <i>Énsign</i>
	Infinity	
	Enjoy the Stience	
	I Don't Know Anybody Else	
22)	Moments in SoulJ.T. and	the Big Family, <i>Champion</i>
(4)	Get Up (Before the Night is Over)	Technotronic, <i>Swanyard</i>
(4)	Elephent Stone	Stone Roses, <i>Silvertone</i>

TOP 10 UK ALBUMS

(1)But Seriously(3) Pump Up the Jam	
(2) Affection	Lisa Stansfield, Arista
(5) The Road to Hell(-) Purgetory/Maiden Japan	
(8) Foreign Affair(6) The Best of Rod Stewart	Tina Turner, Capital
(-) Fontana	House of Love, Fontana
(7) Heart of Stone(4) Journeyman	Cher, Geffen
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CHRIS REA: From "Road to Hell" to his atest hit "Tell me There's a Heaven". Tomorrow, Fri: Wembley Arena, Empire Way (01-902 1234), 7.30pm, 213-215.

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ELLA FITZGERALD: Probably her farewell performances in London, with backing from the Count Basis Orchestra. Veteran bopper Don Weller provides support tonight, Tommy Smith appears

Tonight, Tomorrow: Albert Hall, Ken-Gore, London SW7 (01-589 8212), 7.30pm, £17-£52. ANDY SHEPPARD: A poll-winner in the

recent Wire awards, the Coltrane-in-spired sexophonist with his quintet leaturing Dave Buxton (plano) and Mamadi Kamara (percuss Tonight, tomorrow: Band On The Well Swan Street, Manchester (061 832 6625), doors open 8.30pm. Sat: The

Rocket, Polytechnic of North London, Holloway Road, London N7 (Into 01-806 9831), 7.30pm-2am, £7. Sun: Bobby. Brown's Cafe, 64 Mansfield Road, Nottingham (0602 501401), doors open

HILTON RUIZ: Barnstorming Latin jezz from the planist's 8-piece. Tonight: St Donata Arta Centre, Llamwit Major (0446 794848), Spm, S6. Tomorrow: Gardner Arts Centre, University of Sussex, Falmer (0273 685861), 7.45pm, 23.75-25.50. Fri: University of Warwick Arts Centre, Gibbet Hill Road, Coventry (0203 417417), 7.30pm, 25. Sun: Adrian Boult Hall, near Central Library, Birmingham (021 236 3889/643 2514), 7.30pm, 26.50.

B-SHOPS FOR THE POOR: Avant-gards cross-cultural references, abetted by Peter Brötzmann, of the thrash-jazzers Last Exit. Support from Billy Jenkins. Thurs: Staw Theatre, Euston Road, London NWI (01-386 1394), doors open

BUXTON JAZZBREAK: A trad' weel with Harry Strutter's Hot Athythm Orchestra, the Zenith Hot Stompers and Shells Collier's Swing Street. Fri-Sun: Park Restaurant, Portland Hotel, St John's Road, Buxton (0298 22482/714931, £25-£65.

POWDER ROOM COLLAPSE OR-CHESTRA: Keytopards player Django Bates presents yet another pastiche outfit, including tormer Loose Tubes bassist Steve Berry.

Fri: Pacificam Town Hall, Manchester Roed, Burnley (0282 30055), 8pm, 23. CREOLE CLARRETS: The 1990 Jazz Heritage sesson opens with a celebration of the early jazz masters, performed by Randolph Colville, Mac White, John Wurr and Martin Litton's Weary City Six. Set: Queen Elizabeth Hell, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 8800), 7.45pm, 25-

AMERICAN JAZZ AT THE ROYAL ACADEMY OF MUSIC: Dedicated to Duke Elington, the gala evening brings together Edison, The RAM Sig Band and the Academy Jazz String Quartet. Works by everyone from Jelly Roll Morton to Herbie Hancock. Mor: Opera Theetre, Royal Academy of Music, Marylebone Road, London NWI (01-935 5461), 9.30pm, 25.

GEORGE COLEMAN: The stolid American bop saxophonist opens a two-week residency, taking over from Tom Waits soundalite, Tam White. Mon until March 22: Ronnie Scott's Club, 47 Frith Street, London W1 (01-439

0747), 9.30pm, £10 (members £2); Fri

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and Sat £12 (members £6).

BERT JANSCH: With his blues in fluences, his pioneering of the folk baroque style in the early 60s and his work with Pentangle, Janach had a quiet but profound effect on the development of British rock.

Tonight: Clapham Folk and Blues Club, Railway Tavern, Clapham High Street, London, SW4 (01-737 0107), 8pm, £3.

MARTIN O'COMMOR: Irish according player previously with De Dannan. Tonight: Unicom Hotal, Somerton, Near Yeovil, Somerset (0308 25713), 8.30pm, 23. Tomorrow: Irish Associa ham Street, Reading, (0734 393096), 8pm, £2.50.

BABY FORD: With his new album, The World of Baby Ford, the young Ford advances his unique vision of dance music a little further. Music that sits somewhere between Steve Reich's minimalism, American urban house tracks

and tacky British pop. Sat: Town and Country, Highgate Road, London, NWS (01-284 1221), 9.30pm, £10. **BOOGIE DOWN PRODUCTIONS:** Led by

KRS-1, is a collective of New York rappers, DJs and musicians who try to project a sense of positive values within a field of music that is often characterized by drugs and violence. With one of the best of the new wave of female rappers, Queen Latifah. Sat: Brixton Academy, Stockwell Road, London, SW9 (01-326 1022), 7.30pm, £8.50

LA SONORA DINAMITA: This appear ance by one of the most exciting and ssful exponents of Colombian Cumbia, a Cartagena-based group founded 30 years ago, promises to be

one of the highlights of the year.
Sun: Entpire Ballroom, Leicester
Square, London, W1 (01-437 1446),
7.30pm, £7.50.

HOOTENAMNY AT THE PALAIS- A virtual Who's Who of the new folk and roots music scene. Nine-hour charity marathon. Traditionalist folk alongside the witty, eclectic, irreverent music of Little Monkeys, The Red Hot Polkas and The Oyster Band. Bush Road, London W6 (01-284 0303),

3pm, 27.50 (in advance). IAN MATTHEWS: A rare solo concert by the man who was originally drafted into Fairport Convention in 1967 for his pop

background. Sun: Town and Country II. Highbury Corner, London, N5 (01-284 0303), 7.30pm, £6.

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CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's selection of films in London and (where Indicated with the symbol ♦) on release across the country.

♦ BLACK RAIN (18): Michael Douglas pursuing a Japanese gangster. Flashy potboller from director Ridley Scott. Cannon Futham Road (01-370

2636) Plaza (01-200 0200). BLAZE (15): Paul Newman as politicien Earl Long, defiantly in ove with a stripper. Colourful Americana.

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BORN ON THE FOURTH OF JULY (18): Dynamic anti-Vietnam epic from Oliver Stone, with Tom Cruise excellent as paraplegic Ron Kovic. Cannon Baker Street (01-835 9772) Cannon Fulbarn Road (01-370 2636) Empire (01-200 0200) Gate (01-727 4043) Minema (01-235 4225) Screen on the Green (01-226 3520) Whiteleys (01-792 3303).

♦ CASUALTIES OF WAR (18): an Pann commits Vietnamese atrocities; Michael J. Fox broads. peratively thoughtful war film trom Brian De Palma. Oxford Street (01-630

0310). DANCIN' THRU THE DARK (15): Willy Russell's thin but bolsterous

dance hall. Carmon Chelsea (01-352 5096) Cannon Cannon Street (01-930 0631) Cannon Tottenherr Court Road (01-836 6148) Screen on the Hill (01-435 3366) Warner West End (01-439 0791) Whiteleys (01-

♦ DEAD POETS SOCIETY (PG): Anarchic poetry versus stuffy academia. Peter Weir's naive drama, galvanized by a puckish Robin Williams. Cannon Panton Street (01-930

DO THE RIGHT THING (18): Racial tension in Brooklyn; bracing militant entertainment from Spike Lee. Empire (01-437 1234).

DRIVING MISS DAISY (U): Jessica Tandy as the prickly Southern lady with a black chauffeur (Morgan Freeman). Accomplished, endearing. Warner West End (01-439 0791).

A DRY WHITE SEASON (15): Donald Sutherland wakes up to partheid's horrors. Powerful hriller from André Brink's novel Curzon West End (01-439 4805).

FAMILY BUSINESS: Curate's egg cornedy-drama about a family of crooks (Sean Connery, Dustin Hoffman, Matthew Broderick). Odeon Leicester Square (01-930 6111). Notting Hill Coronet (01-727 6705). Odeon Kensington (01-602 6644). Odeon Swiss Cottage (01-6705). Odeon Ken 722 5905).

FELLOW TRAVELLER (15): Ron Silver as a tormented blacklist ektim in 1950s England. Stylish. Metro (01-437 0757).

GLORY (15): Edward Zwick's impassioned salute to the black Americans who fought in the Civil Nar; powerful performances Cennon Chelses (01-352 5096). Cennon Sheftesbury Avenue (01-836 8861). Whiteleys (01-792

HAMLET GOES BUSINESS (15): Caustic, updated Shakespeare filmed in B-movie style by Finnish iester Aki Kaurismäkl. Everymen (01-435 1525)

HENRY V (PG): War-is-hell version from Kenneth Branagh; cinematically drab, variably acted. Curzon Phoenix (01-240 9661) Barbican (01-638 8891).

♦ HONEY, I SHRUNK THE KIDS xule children battle through their garden to safety. Engaging special effects romp. Odeon Kensington (01-602 6644) Odeon West End (01-930 5252).

Odeon Swiss Cottage (01-722 5905) Odeon Marble Arch (01-723) 2011) Cannon Chelses (01-352 5096) Whiteleys (01-792 3303). THE HOUSE OF BERNARDA ALE (15): Lorca's play about a widow/ and her six daughters; fine acting

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You can never tell with Q.E.D. (BBCI, 9.30pm). Most weeks we are invited to take part in a light-hearted speculation about some piece of quasiscientific trivia. Then, suddenly, the programme changes tack completely, as it does tonight with Back to the Drawing Board, a sober but hopeful documentary about cerebral palsy. Emmett de Monterey, an otherwise sparky 12-year-old, was born with the condition, which means that he cannot walk properly and his legs are being pulled horribly out of shape.



Emmett de Monterey: exercising his right to a normal life (BBC1, 9.30pm)

He could normally expect to spend most of the rest of his life in a wheelchair. But he has the chance of going to the United States for an operation which, to put it as bluntly as the commentary puts it, involves taking his legs and thighs to bits and rebuilding them. He knows that such surgery is difficult to carry out and carries no cast-iron guarantee of success. The surgeons, two teams of them each working seven hours, are helped by a computerized analysis of Emmett's walk, nsing techniques pioneered by the Newington Children's Hospital in Connecticut. Those who find explicit coverage of operations unsettling may wish to avert their gaze from time to time and, as Emmett's father says: "It's a lot for a little guy to take". No one expects miracles and much will depend on whether Emmett himself has the determ-

ination to get back on his feet. Having recently mined the literary mainstream with profiles of Iris Murdoch and P.G. Wodehouse, Bookmark (BBC2, 8.10pm) takes an imaginative step back into pre-literary culture with a visit to the Waura tribe of central Brazil. Here the oral tradition of story-telling is still intact while the stories themselves are cheerfully uninhibited. Such themes as love, jealousy and croticism are treated with a frankness that the Waura people, men, women and children, take happily in their stride but may startle the unsuspecting viewer. Usually spoken around the fire at night, the stories are 'said to hold up a mirror to the realities of the tribespeople's lives. Whether this is true of the example featured tonight seems doubtful since it appears to belong more to the realms of myth and legend than to everyday experience. It tells how two lealous women avenge themselves on their husbands by seeking pleasure with an alligator spirit which obligingly materializes from the river.

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1.00 One O'Clock News with Philip Hayton, Weather

1.30 Neighbours. Des is a bundle of nerves as his television debut nerves as his television debut approaches; and as the competition between Jkm and Joe over the billycarts intensifies, Aunt Edie steps into the middle of it. (Ceefax) 1.50 Going for Gold. European general intowledge quiz 2.15 Knots Landing: Key to a Woman's Heart. Mack's marriage is on the line if he falls to come up with an

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5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceafax) 6.00 Six O'Clock News with Peter Sissons and Andrew Harvey. Weather

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6.30 Regional News Magazines

7.00 Wogan. Tonight's guests are John Mortimer, Josie Lawrence and Bros

7.35 Family Matters. Attitudes to being overweight have changed. Tonight, people talk about their personal experiences of society's rejection of experiences of society's rejection of obesity, followed by a studio discussion which asks whether

people should conform and be thin. With John Humphrys.

8.05 Dallas: Cally on a Hot Tin Roof.
JR explodes when Cally accuses him of having an affair, and talls him should be right with Alox Meanwhile. about her night with Alex. Meanwhile enemies are out to frame Ewing OR with the responsibility for the oil

spillage. (Ceefax) 8.50 Points of View with Anne

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9.00 A Party Political Broadcast on behalf of the Conservative Party

9.05 News with Martyn Lewis, Regional news and weather

9.35 Q.E.D. Back to the Drawing Board

(Ceefax) (see Choice)

10.05 Move Over Darling: Kitchen Sink
Drama. Pamela Stephenson
continues her exploration of being a woman with a look at the job

women start when they come home from work

10.35 Sportanight. Steve Rider presents inchights of the fourth one-day international between England and West Indies from the Bourda cricket ground, Georgetown, Guyana. Plus coverage of the men's original programme in the world figure skating championships from Halifax, Nova Scotia, and Furnnean Cup soccer guarier-finals European Cup soccer quarter-finals featuring AC Milan v Mechelen and Bayern Munich against PSV Eindhoven. Finally, a preview of the motor racing grand prix season.

6.00 TV-am begins with News and Good Morning Britain presented by Richard Keys and, at 7.00, by Lorraine Kelly and Mike Morris. With news at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00, After Nine includes

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7.00 This is Your Life. Another unsuspecting worthy is emotionally surprised by Michael Aspel Coronation Street. Delrare Barlow is determined that her daughter Tracy should be kept away from her estranged husband's new lover.

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8.00 No Job for a Lady: A Member of the Committee. Labour MP Jean Price is called to sit on her first Price is called to sit on her first
parliamentary committee, where
much of the less glamorous but
vital political work is done. But not
everyone seems to consider it so
important. Starring Penelope Keith.
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8.30 The Roan Lucas Show. The
American ventriloquist's guests
include Larry Claewski with
Mountain Main and juggler Mark
Robertson

9.00 El C.LD: A Proper Copper. Blake needs to cheer Douglas up on his birthday so he arranges a trip to a local casino, where Douglas fancies himself as a bit of a James Bond character. (Coscie)

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Owen introduces tonight's
programme, which features both
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football, plus the men's original
programme in the world ice skating
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12.00 Film: Image of Death (1977)
starring Cathey Paine, Cheryl Waters and Sheila Helpman. An innocent

reunion with an old school-friend offers Yvonne, an opportunist who lives by her wits and other people's money, the chance to make good in a lasting way. Directed by Kavin Dobson

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1.30 Stories in the Night. Nick Stuart
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Potter's six-part play with music
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disappeared; and the case of the murdered blind girl is reopened (r)

10.20 Fifth Column. A new weekly topical debate series

10.30 A Party Political Broadcast by the Conservative Party

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now-defunct, America-based religious sect (r)
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3.40 The Oprah Wintrey Show. Coping with unstable personalities
4.30 Countdown. Today's challenger is Jennie Kermode
5.90 Ice Starting: The World Figure Championships from Halifax, Nova Scotia, introduced by Mick Owen
5.30 Boom! Includes interviews with Sinitia, and a number of the cast of Brookside
6.00 The Victorian House. Jonathan Meades looks inside a 19th-century home (r). (Oracle)

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6.30 Get Smart. Cornedy series starring Don Adams

7.00 Channel Four News with Jon Snow and Zelnab Badawi

7.30 Party Political Comment from an SDP politician. Followed by Weather 8.00 Brookside. It is beginning to seem to Jonathan that he is running a mursery, not a business. (Oracle)

8.30 Dispatches. An examination of the probable consequences of the unification of Germany

9.15 Signals: The Elephants' Loo. The story of the painting commissioned by East German communists to celebrate the GDR's 40th anniversary

10.00 Girls' Night Out. Cartoon

10.05 Film: Mea (1985) starring Heiner Lauterbach and Uirlke Kriener. A young man with two children and what he thinks is a happy marriage, finds he may be going to lose his wife. He decides to take an unusual form of revenge. Directed by Doris Doris in German with English form of revenge. Directed by Doris Dorrie. in German with English

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12-00 Spring Cleaning. Nancy makes
the break and moves from the
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1.09am ice Stating. Live coverage of
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from Nova Scotia, Canada. Ends at

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3.00 "Live" At Three 4.00 Emmerdale Farm 4.30
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News on the hour.
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2.30 The Reporters 3.30 Frank Bough
4.30 Newsline News on the hour.

SKY MOVIES

All films will be scrambled.
From 8.00mm The Shopping Channel
2.00pm Dream Date (1988): A father
shadows his daughter when she goes out on
a date with the star of the high school
football team. With Tempesti Bledsoe and
Ciffton Davis
4.00 Summerdog: A lost puppy is found
by a family on holiday, who take it beck to
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6.00 Jane and the Lost City (1987):
Based on the exploits of the war-time Daily
Mirror cartoon strip character Mirror carbon strip character
7-40 Entartainment Tonight
8-00 Radio Days (1987): Woody Allen
directs and narrates this tale set in the
1940s, the period in which radio, rather
than television, dominated family life
9-40 At the Fictures: Cinema releases
19-00 Rambo 3 (1988): Sylvester
Stallone invades Afghanistan in an attempt
to rescue his best friend from the
Russians. With Flichard Crenna
11-45 Robocop (1987): Peter Weller as
the future of law enforcement — an injured
cop, cybernetically augmented, and let
loose on the gangs of Detroit City
1-30am The Man Wike Broke 1,000
Chains (1987): Val Kilmer as a man unjustly
jalled who makes a bid for freedom chains (1507); var kinner as a fram unjustry jailed who makes a bid for freedom 4.00 The Whistle Blower (1988); Michael Caine as a man investigating the suicide of his son. Ends at 5.40am

EUROSPORT

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College Basketball 11.00 Goals 12.00
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World Championship of Motor Sport
2.00 Basketball 4.00 Figure Skating: World
Championships 6.00 Golf: Dubei Classic
7.00 Trans World Sport 8.00 World
Championship Boxing 10.00 Football:
European Cup 12.00 Figure Skating

6.00cm Kristiane Backer 10.30 At the Movies 11.00 Remote Control 11.30 Club MTV 12.00 Kristiane Backer 1.00pm MTV 12.00 Kristaine Backer 1.00pm Paul King 3.00 Non-Stop Pure Pop 4.00 3 from 1 4.15 Paul King 4.30 Coca-Cola Report 4.45 Paul King 6.00 Greatest Hits 6.30 At the Movies 7.00 Ray Cokes 7.30 Cub MTV 8.00 Ray Cokes 8.30 US Top 20 10.00 Coca-Cola Report 10.15 Maiken Wexo 1.00mm Night Videos

SCREENSPORT

7.00am Tennis 8.30 Tennis 10.00 French Rugby League 11.30 Sport en France 12.00 los Hockey 2.00pm Spain Spain Sport 2.15 US PGA Golf 4.15 Football 6.00 Rugby Union 7.30 US PGA Golf 9.30 Boxing 11.00 los Speedway 12-00 Powersports

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10.00em Jake's Fitness Minute 10.01 earch for Tomorrow 10.30 Short Casts Search for Tomorrow 10.30 Short Casts
10.35 Wok with Yan 11.00 Coffee
Break 11.10 Edge of Night 11.35 American
Gameshows 12.50pts What's New
12.55 Sally Jessy Raphael 1.50 Skyways
2.40 Search for Tomorrow 3.05 Tea
Break 3.10 Target: The Corrupters 4.05
Travelview 4.35 Lifestyle Plus 4.45
American Gameshows

Full information on satellite TV programmes is available in the weekly magazine, TV Guide.

RADIO 1

FM Stereo and New! News on the helf-hour from 5.30em until 4.30pm, then at 7.30, 8.30 and 10.00pm 5.00em Jaioti Brambles 6.30 Simon Mayo 9.30 Simon Betes
12.30pen Newsbeat 12.45
Gary Davies 2.00 Steve Wright in
the Afternoon 9.30 News '90 6.00 Mark Goodier 7.30 Adriso

RADIO 2

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the Band with Roy Newsome
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6.25am Open University (FM only)
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Liverpool Philharmonic
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Mackerras); Debussy, orch Ravel (Danse "Tarantelle etyrienne": National Orchestra of Ortf under Martinon); Britten (Three Divertimenti: Endellion String Quartet); Stravinsky (Scherzo à la Russe "jazz bend": CBSO under Simon

7.30 Naws
7.35 Morning Concert (cont):
Brahms (Tragic Overture,
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Handel (Ballet music, 8
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Baroque Soloists under
Gardiner); Puccini (Capriccio
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8.30 News 8.35 Composers of the Week: Scandinavian Season. Nielsen - The Middle Years. Act 2, Prelude, Dance of the Cocks "Maskerade" (Swedish Radio Symphony Orchestra under Salonen); Saga Drym (New Philharmonia under

Horenstein): Sinfonia espansiva (Gothenburg Symphony Orchestra under Myung-Whun Chung, with Pia Raanoja, soprano, Knut Skram, baritone) Towards Bach: L'Ecole 9,35 d'Orphée performs Johann Adam Reincken (Suites: No 4 in D minor; No 2 in B flat)

10.05 Schubert's Last Quartet in G. D 887. Performed by the Brodsky String Quartet (r) 11.00 Mildweek Choice with Susan Sharpe, Lanner (Holballs Streepe: Leiner (Hofbeitenze, Op 161: Vienna SO under Stolz minor. Op 156; the composer, plano); Boccharini (Symphony in A: Cardiena); Carey Biyton (in Memoriam, Scott Fitzgerald: London Saxophone Quartet): Rachmaninov (Piano Concerto No 4, Op An: LSO under Yuri Ahronovitch, with Tamés Vásáry, plano); Elgar (Coronation Ode: Soloists (Coronation Ode: and Choirs, New Philharmonia Band of Royal

RADIO 3 1.00pm Cricket Special (IMW only) with Steve May. West Indies v England.
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ess one-dey ternational, from sorgetown, Guyana 1.00 News (FM only)
1.05 Concert Halt (FM only): Live from the BBC Concert Hall, London. The planist Colin Stone performs Chopin (Polonaise in A flat; Trois nouvelles etudes, Op post); Prokofiev (Sonata No 8)

Prokofiev (Sonata No 8)

2.00 Record Review (FMI only) (r)

3.10 Vintage Years (FMI only):
Scandinavian Season.
Kirsten Flagstad, soprano,
sings Wagner (Du bist der
Lenz "Wallidire, Act 1");
Beethoven (Abscheulicher,
wo eilst du hin "Fidello, Act
1"): Grien (En swane): 1"); Grieg (En svane); Brahms (Gestilite Sehnsucht); Wagner (Liebestod "Tristan und isolde"); Mahler (Ging heut' morgen übers Feld; ich hab

ein glühend Messer); Sinding (Sylvelin; Den Jomfru gäd Valmu-Vang); Sibelius (Kom nu hit, Död) 4.00 Choral Evensong (FM only): Live from Carlisle Cathedral 5.00 Rhymes and Runes (FM only): Songs and dances from Iceland and the Faeroe Islands are presented by

John Thornley 5.30 Mainly for Pleasure (FM only) with Fiona Talkington 7.00 News (FM only) 7.05 Third Ear (FM only): Chaired 7.05 Third Ear (FM only): Crimical by Robert Hewison
7.30 The King Goes Forth to France (FM only until 9.15): Scandinavian Sesson. An opera by Autis Sellinen, sung in Stephen Cilver's English version. Performed by the Royal Opera House Orthostra under Oldon Orchestra under Okko Kamu: Royal Opera Chorus under Peter Burian, with lan Unique Peter Burtain, with ten McDiarmid, spoken role, Kim Begley, tenor, Stafford Dean, bass, Mikael Melbye, bentone, Ellene Hannan, soprano, Sarah Walker, merzy-soprano, Valerie

mezzo-soprano, Valerie Masterson, soprano, Jane Turner, alto, Donald Maxwell, baritone, Nuala Maxwell, barrone, wasa Willis, alto. Act 1 9.00 Jeremy Beadle considers how poets have approached war 9.10 Act 2 (r) 10.15 Saling without an Anchor: A Tale of Troy. Michael Charloot with the second of. five documentaries on the United States National Security Council 11.00 Composers of the Week: Scandinavian Season. Gade and Svendsen (r) Military School of Music under Ledgert: Béchir (Raksat Sherem: Muhir Béchir Quartet): Youmans, sovich (Tea for arr Shostakovich (Tea fo Two, Op 16: SNO under

12.00 News

RADIO 4

LW (s) Stereo on FM 5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00 News Briefing; Weather 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day (s) 6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News 6.55, 7.55 Weather 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament 8.57 Weather 9.00 News

9.00 News 9.05 Midweek (s) Time from Suckinghamshire

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10.30 Morning Story: Another Day, by Dan Jacobson.
Read by Jack Klaff (s) (r)
10.45 Daily Service (s)
11.00 News; The Churchill Years (per Service) (see Choice) (new series) (see Choice) 11,47 Pet Subjects: In a series of five programmes, Fergus Keeling meets people who have a pession for certain animals. Part 3: Rebbit

animats. Part 3: Rabbit owner Keith Woods 12.00 News; You and Yours 12.25pm The Year in Question (new series): in the first of seven programmes, Simon Bates chairs the quiz on a particular year, with this week's contestants from Punch and Private Eye (s) 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World at One 1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55

Shipping Forecast 2.00 News; Woman's Hour: Jenni Murray meets comedienne Marti Caine; an item on the Fakes exhibition at the British Museum; a discussion on the pros and cons of being overweight; and what to do in the 3.00 News; Ask No Questions: Play written and narrated by Yvonne Gilan. Edinburgh in the Forties, Marle-Louise (Hilary MacLean) discovers her father's true

nationality . . . (s) 3.47 Time for Verse: Alexis Lyderd in conversation with poet Kit Wright (s)
4.00 News 4.05 File on 4 (r) 4.45 Kaleidoscope Extra: Tony Rainer eavesdrops on a rehearsal of Stophen Sondheim's musical Sunday in the Park with George at the National Threshes the National Theatre London, opening next week 5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast

5.55 Weather 6.00 Six O'Clock News; Financial

Report

6.30 Round Britain Quiz: The second leg. Chaired by Louis Alien and Gordon Clough. Bill Russell and Jack Jones from Wales and the West, challenge the resident team of Irene Thomas and Eric Korn (s.)

Thomas and Eric Korn (s) (r) 7.00 News 7.05 The Archers 7.20 in Business (new series) with Carol Leonard (r) 7.45 Medicine Now (r)

8.15 Age to Age: Presented by Barry Curiffie. Seen Street and Roger Protz sample the delights of a 14th century cak-beamed pub in Salisbury, and discuss the history of the tavern and ale 8.45 Shakespeare in Africa; Paul Copley and Natasha Pyne profile the Cherub Company on their tour of Ethiopia,

Sudan and Zimbabwe test year with a production of Twelfth Night 9.15 Kaleidoscope: Darmy Karlin reviews August Wilson's play Joe Tumer's Come and Gone at the Tricycle Theatre, London; a review of Bertrand Blier's film Trop Belle Pour Toi; Magnum photographers show their orks at the In Our Time Gatery; and an interview with Colin Matthews who is

want community who is performing his completed version of Britten's unfinished Clarinet Concerts at the Barbican today, a piece originally written for the jazz clarinettist Benny Coordman (s) Goodman (s)

9.45 The Financial World Tonight

9.59 Weather 10.00 The World Tonight (s) 10.45 A Book at Bedtime: The Road to Bloomsbury. New

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where, by William

11.00 Beneath a Men's Dignity: A group of Welsh women share their memories of cocide-picking on the Gower coast 11.30 Today in Parliament 12.00-12.30sm News, incl 12.20 Weather 12.33 Shipping

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Open University 11.20
Mathematics Miscellary 11.50
Language and the Novel 12.301.10am Night School

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(RADIO CHOICE)

Peter Davalle

◆ Although The Churchill Years (Radio 4, 11.00am), a sequence of half a dozen plays by David Wheeler, are represented to us by the BBC as dramatizations of six turning points in the career of Winston Churchill, play number one is all about his father. Lord Randolph, and the sorry conclusion of a promising



Lord Randolph Charchill: end of a political life (R4, 11.00am)

accurate to say that this first

play in the series marks a turning point in the acting career of Daniel Massey, since he has split himself into three playing Randolph (tenor/ baritone), the older Winston (growling bass) and the younger Winston (schoolboy tenor). Three Daniels have therefore, come to judgement and two of them pass the test with flying colours. As we hear nothing from young Winston today except his response to being ticked off by his father for not doing so well at school and taking a gift watch to bits, judgement on him will have to wait until next week's instalment. It is impossible to determine whether Massey's thespian treble is the result of a cost-cutting exercise on the part of the BBC drama department, or whether some deeper psychological Wordsworthian

point is intended about the Child being father of the Man.

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Heseltine rallies Tories with attack on Labour

With the Government under time. The benches filled up down on inflation. And they continuing attack over the economy and the community charge, Mr Michael Heseltine made a call for the creation of MPs with a Commons speech attacking Labour's alternative

Tory MPs hurried into the Commons chamber to listen to Mr Heseltine who is increasingly being spoken of by Conservative MPs as Mrs Margaret Thatcher's successor.

He intervened in an opposition-initiated debate on the trade deficit and interest rates with a speech which was seen as an attempt by him to raise his leadership standard. One senior backbencher commented later: "He was reminding

Few Tory MPs had been present to hear the Government's opening speech from Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry. Mr Ridley was, however, upstaged by Mr HeselMinister is opposed.

With Mr John Major, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, also listening intently on the front bench, Mr Heseltine said that all European Community members should create central

Trade debate

banks operating on the same basis as the Bundesbank. Tory MPs cheered as he attacked Labour for failing to give any indication of how it would Earlier, Mrs Thatcher had

refused demands from Mr Neil Kinnock to rule out a further rise in interest rates. She told him during a Commons clash that "interest rates are at the level which is

behind him as he launched an will stay at whatever that level attack on Labour but then is." Mr Kinnock said her answer would disappoint milvesterday rallied Conservative an independent central bank lions of people because high MPs with a Commons speech in Britain, to which the Prime interest rates were hitting homeowners and businesses and not controlling credit.

> In the ensuing debate, Mr. Gordon Brown, shadow trade and industry secretary, launched witty and effective attack on the Government's handling of the economy.

> Mr Brown said: "Where there was certainty there is now confusion, where there were promises there are now excuses, where there was truth there is now admission of error, where there was hope there is now disillusionment. and where there were answers there are now only questions."

Mr Brown predicted a "donothing" budget this year and a "give-away" one next year. as goverment policy was determined not by the economic deemed necessary to press cycle but by the electoral one.

Mr Arthur Scargill and Mr Peter Heathfield arriving at King's Cross, London, yesterday

MPs urge fraud inquiry

larly tainted sources," the

said last night that if the alle-gations against NUM officials

were found to have substance

they could be prosecuted for

theft, a charge which carries a

maximum sentence of 10

In his call for an inquiry, Mr

Kinnock insisted that it must

be held in public in order to

union about the "extremely

In referring to the planned meeting of the NUM exec-

utive on Friday, he made clear that he saw this as only the

first stage of an investigation into allegations that strike

funds were used to clear union

officers' personal debts. The

years' imprisonment.

serious" allegations.

A senior criminal barrister

MPs said.

Miners' Solidarity Fund. The call for a DPP investigation came in a Commons motion tabled by Mr Nicholas Bennett, Conservative MP for Pernbroke, and Mr Christopher Hawkins, Conservative MP

They expressed "grave concern" over serious allegations made against the NUM leadership by the Daily Mirror and Central Television's The Cook Report that "monies from foreign countries were accepted in order to prolong a

national industrial dispute The MPs said one of those countries, Libya, was at the same time supporting terror-"We note that allegations of

fraud and embezzlement were made to the effect that some of the monies were used by officers and trustees of the NUM for their own personal gain and that allegations of dishonesty were made against officers of the NUM still in office.

General to refer all these Labour Party leader added allegations forthwith to the Director of Public Prosecufastidious attitude towards the management of their union. tions and request and require Members up and down the assurances from those MPs still sponsored by the NUM country, rank and file and senior officers, will want a that none of the money they public inquity. receive in election expenses is derived from Libyan or simi-

"I think they will settle for nothing less. The allegations are extremely serious and they must be dealt with by a formal inquiry," he said.

Speaking in Leeds, Mr Kinnock said: "It appears to me that Mr Scargill will have every interest in seeing that everything is out in the open and that everything is clear and thoroughly inquired

Scottish and Welsh miners' leaders indicated yesterday that Mr Scargill would have to satisfy them on a series of questions before they would consider giving him union support for any libel action.

Mr Scargill described suggestions yesterday that he had asked a representative of the Libyan government for weapons as "a lead of codswallop".

Political sketch

Poll tax debaters plumb the depths

Blunkett's dog. Offa, was sick deepest, darkest bottom of the vesterday, during a press- oceans. And one of them was conference Blunkett (Labour, browny-gold, with eyes just Sheffield, Brightside) is a like Mrs Thatcher's brooches spokesman on local govern- and feelers. Such was the ment. Offa (Retriever, Alsa- pressure at which these creatian. Crossbred) is his guide. Some believe the words "poll plained) that if ever they tax" started Offa retching; surfaced they would explode others, that it was when Labour's "roof tax" was men-tioned that Offa was sick. The from Mr Kinnock. She called dog was unavailable for him "irresponsible"; he

Meanwhile, at the House of Lords, a very big lady was the car-park. Shocked American tourists who had photographed the scene handed the film to an eager Sun journalist - perhaps believing they had stumbled upon yet another quaint old English custom.

Early reports did not make clear the streaker's identity attacked. Our feelings ebbed and I allowed myself to hope and flowed. Away from the tax that it had been the Baroness Trumpington, It was not, and this is a shame, for what a formidable political weapon that would be! The effect, I believe, would be stunning.

And it was on the poll-tax that Mrs Thatcher was most seriously challenged, yet again, at Prime Minister's Questions yesterday. Glasgow's Michael Martin (Lab)

reminded her of the latest ssessment that in England the new tax would add 30 per cent to household bills. Mrs Thatcher reminded him that this was exactly what she had predicted: and the fault lay sizzling speech by his Labour with councils who had increased their spending.

The Prime Minister looked intimidating, yesterday, in a new outfit in brown and gold spangles, framed in black piping - the whole ensemble giving a somehow glistening effect, like a mermaid's tail in do" came Ridley's vinegary a village-hall pantomime. Be- tones "is spend more time neath her collar bone - one on with my family". A little later, each side - were two huge he added "It is Mr Brown who identical eye-shaped brooches, should spend more time with gilt-edged, with big black discs his family. It is wasted, here." in the middle, like dilated STOP PRESS: Written an pupils in gold irises. It was to swer from Home Office Minand hair, that gaze was irresist- (Lab. Tooting): (Cox had ibly drawn down.

had I seen this before?

Then I remembered. On my This will be done by a member bedroom wall as a boy was a of the prison's Works poster entitled "Life at the Department." Fringe: Creatures of the Deep." The lurid pictures were

Our diarist hears that Dave of marine-life at the coldetures lived (the poster ex-Mrs Thatcher did explode

shouted that she was "the speculators' friend"; she yelled that he was the speculators "streaking" against poll-tax, in friend, Great Scottl How lose can this go on?

Debate rumbled on about the poll-tax, as (for the Tories) Harlow's Jerry Hayes and Bristol's Jonathan Sayeed defended it, and (for Labour) Leyton's Harry Cohen and Renfrew's Tommy Graham as Hayes and Sayeed defended, and in favour while Cohen and Graham attacked

David Amess (C. Basildon) refreshed the dismal argumen with the revelation that Basildon's Labour Council had sent every voter a valentine £46,000. Amess didn't quote the message. "To Hugglebugs Householder: Basildon Borough Council sends you low and snozzles and a communic charge bill for £470" perhans

What a bracing contrast Industry Secretary Nick Ridley makes to all this! During a Shadow, Gordon Brown (in the Industry debate which followed) Ridley was challenged to do what Messrs Fowler and Walker had done and go home to the wife and

"The last thing I want to se, and not her paler face ister David Mellor to Tom Cax asked when and by whom the I stared, fascinated. Where gallows at Wandsworth would next be tested.) "The gallows will next be tested in June.

Matthew Parris



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How Militant runs protests

Party. "The campaign is for all and everybody to join."

The pace of the Militantinspired campaign is being stepped up. About 100 pro-testers were at Birmingham City Council last night when the Labour-controlled authority met to fix a poll tax. Demonstrators also turned up

West Midlands. Other protests motive of the campaign is to organized by the federation unseat Neil Kinnock. They are were held last night in Gilling- at the centre and have drawn ham and Greenwich, while in other, well-meaning inprotests in London at Tower Hamlets, Bexley, Southwark and in Southampton, Hampshire, are expected to attract thousands tonight.

A long-standing Militant

at Sandwell council in the watcher said: "The ulterior dividuals who revolve around them, giving the campaign a cloak of respectability but you can be sure that that all the key posts are held by Militant supporters."



Mr Nally: Devoted campaigner

clearer weather with showers will spread into central Scotland. There will be severe gales in the far north. England and Wales will be cloudy although sunny spells are likely in eastern areas. Northern and western parts of England and Wales will have rain, but elsewhere should stay dry. Outlook: rain in

the north; clearer, colder weather with showers moving south.

WEATHER

Afghan coup attempt foiled

ever action is against the atheist regime of Mr Najibullah."

that the situation in Kabul was again totally under the Government's control. Tass said that troops loyal to the presi-

Much of Scotland will be

cloudy with rain at first but

AROUND BRITAIN

bureau of the Afghan Army. extremists were resisting A curfew was imposed from arrest. Some fighting contin 7 pm, three hours earlier than ued in suburbs of Kabul and

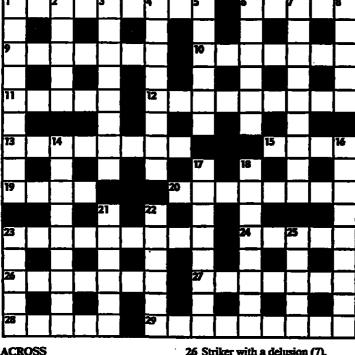
In London, the Afghan The former Interior Min-charges d'affaires, Mr Taza ister, General Mohammad Khan Wial, said the airport, Aslam Watanjar, has taken

STORMY

all enterprises and govern- over as Defence Minister. The dent focused their fire on ment buildings were com- new Interior Minister is Mr buildings housing the Defence pletely under government Raz Mohammad Pakteen.

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THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 18,235



6 Sleeping accommodation for Joey by the way (5).

9 Rake the money in - that's the usual procedure (7). 10 New climb just beginning (7). 11 Log drawing grouse from wood-

12 Application for transport (9). 13 Severely beat many scholars coming in late (8). 15 Old silver used before notes (4). 19 Approval held by the old couple

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24 Plants by decree in Channel Islands (5).

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3 One or two ways to travel (8).

4 Account with date once ren-5 Family led out from fire (6). 6 Discordant singer to give up (6).

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16 Fhrtation a waste of time (9). 17 Iron in production a notable investment (8).

18 Quiet charm producing fond-21 Drains in northern town below urban centre (6).

22 Make an effort in race (6). 23 Order up tea or coffee (5). 25 A supporting feature in Worcester, possibly? (5).

Concise Crossword, page 29

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By Philip Howard

TRADE WINDS

SOLDIER'S FRIEND t, The Lee-Enfield rifle

COBBLER'S PUNCH

2. A powerful (ipple

b. A blow to the stemach

c. A midshipman's dirk

BUTCHER'S BROOM

HATTER'S SHAKES

Answers on page 20

a. Cracks in bexwood b. Excessive vibrato c. Industrial poisonia:

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Property slump hits Wates City

Net assets per share last year rose from 264.8p to 300.2p at Wates City of London, the property company specializing in developing and owning buildings within the Square

increase in net assets, the year to December saw pre-tax profits tumble as profits from property sales of £20.2 million in 1988 slumped to nothing. A final dividend of 2.62p a

share (2.31p) is being paid, making a total of 3.39p a share Tempus, page 24

Templeton up Templeton Galbraith & Hansberger, the Bahamian-based fund manager, increased its pre-tax profit by 31 per cent to \$63.8 million in the year to December. Funds under management grew to \$17.5 billion. The final dividend of 9

per cent. Tempus, page 24 STOCK MARKETS

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Fraser bid report may end 'instant takeovers'

By Graham Searjeant Financial Editor

Instant takeover bids, especially those mounted by bidders that are not quoted companies, could disappear as a result of the Department of Trade and Industry report into the House of Fraser/Lonrho affair which will be finally pub-

The takeover rules could change if lessons drawn from the House of Fraser affair by Sir Henry Brooke QC and Mr John Aldous, the DTI inspectors, are put into practice by the Bank of England, the City

One of the key aspects of the affair is that the OFT, Mr Norman Tebbit, then Trade Secretary, and the press relied on statements about the Fayed family's standing and resources from its advisers, particularly Kleinwort Benson, the merchant bank, which have since been dismissed as false.

In future, the authorities may insist that merchant banks, as lead advisers under the City Takeover Code, are responsible for verifying independently any claims they make about their clients in adFraser case.

Merchant banks would have a duty to get to know details about new clients' financial affairs and resources before taking them on. This alone would challenge the trend in the securities and takeover business, which has been to substitute one-off relationships on deals for the more old-fashioned long-term relationship between

companies and their advisers. They would also need to verify independently in advance any information about their clients issued in takeover documents.

Merchant banks and solicitors would also have to be clear about their role when representing their clients to the Office of Fair Trading, giving statements on their own responsibility and not relying on information supplied by clients, or on personal judgements.

In the Fraser case, ministers have said that they relied on in-formation and assurances from advisers, and on the standing of advisers. But it has since emerged that this was a misunderstanding and that, in the context of a tight

representing their clients' case or giving personal judgements rather than supplying information they

had checked. This could lengthen OFT investigations into whether proposed takeover bids should be referred to the Monopolies Commission at a time when the Government has taken steps to speed up Monopolies Commission inquiries.

The changes, if put into effect, would particularly affect cash offers - such as the Fayeds' bid for House of Fraser - where less information is usually required

It would also particularly affect bids by individuals, consortia or "off-the-shelf" companies, where accounting information on the history of a company and its promoters would not necessarily be immediately available.

The changes would also require advisers to keep detailed records and minutes of meetings and casebooks on their relationships with clients. Many have already been forced to do this in parts of their business under the Financial Ser-

De Beers picks Fisons profits grow to £169m Swiss base for overseas assets

By Colin Campbell, Mining Correspondent

De Beers, the Oppen-heimer-controlled South African diamond group, in a move which it denies is made in fear of Mr Nelson Mandela's nationalization threats, is setting up a Swiss base to hold all the group's non-

South African assets. The move, by such a visibly identified South African group - which would have been unthinkable five years ago has been viewed as "logical" world-wide. De Beers' share price vaulted in London and New York, rising from £11.82 to £131/2.

Mr Julian Ogilvie Thompson, De Beers' chairman, said the new arrangement had been under consideration for

"It does not indicate any particular view of current political developments in South Africa," he said. The

from Lucerne - where De parts of De Beers; facilitate regular diamond "sights" for crode the "political discount" the past 20 years — and will attached to De Beers shares. hold all the group's non-South "The strength of the whole African assets.

These include group interests in other parts of Africa: diamond stocks of trading subsidiaries, the foreign element of the Central Selling Organisation; the foreign synthetic diamond businesses; group investments in Min- for shareholders. An esti- son added,

Corporation of South America, and Eastern Investments. The Swiss company will be called De Beers Centenary.

There is no intention or plan to transfer to Switzerland any of the operations of the London Central Selling Organisation, the marketing arm

The Swiss-held assets will represent in rand terms 60 per cent of the 1989 equity-accounted earnings of the De Beers group as a whole, and 43 per cent of net assets.

"A De Beers shareholder will own securities in both the foreign and the South African

groups. These securities will be stapled and tradeable only as one unit." De Beers South Africa will hold a 9.5 per cent stake in the Swiss offshoot.

The decision to establish the South Africa, the secure aim, he added, is to secure broper recognition of the true identify earnings, dividends and assets attributable to the secure shares. The Swiss arm will operate foreign and South African

"The strength of the whole is greater than the sum of the to facilitate. parts," Mr Ogilvie Thompson

Th two boards will be identical and will co-operate in the best interests of all

orco, Anglo American mated 13 per cent of De Beers' Corporation of South American equity is held on the London

De Beers yesterday an-nounced 1989 results showing pre-tax profits had climbed from R2.87 billion to R3.84 billion (\$1.21 billion to \$1.51 billion) and that attributable earnings had risen from R2.1 billion to R2.87 billion.

At the equity-accounted level, earnings (before extraorbillion.

De Beers is raising its final dividend from 155 cents to 217.5 cents making 280 cents (200 cents) for the year.

the move to split the company is entirely logical given the political uncertainty overhanging South Africa. "Other groups have done it,

dinary items) were R4.09 billion compared with R2.96

Johannesburg investment managers said last night that

and more will follow. If there is the possibility on the horizon - even if it is only 10 years away - of nationalization, then it is logical to safeguard your company, according to one fund manager.

have access to international capital markets, which a Swiss company would better be able

Switzerland rather than anywhere else was chosen because: "We have always thought Switzerland is a very sound place to have a holding shareholders. There should be company with international no adverse tax implications trading," Mr Ogilvie Thomp-



Man of destiny: John Kerridge, chairman of Fisons, yesterday as his company delivered its predicted strong results

Pre-tax prefits of £169 million the total 1.2p up at 6.2p. at Fisons in the year to December represented a 28 per cent rise on 1988, and a 45fold rise on the 1980 figure (writes Jeremy Andrews).

The outcome was in line with the forecast of "not less than £165 million" made at the time of its £211 million rights issue in December to pay for VG Instruments, which it bought from BAT. The final dividend of 3.85p is also as forecast then, leaving

ess than the 20 per cent organic growth claimed by the ny. However, 1988 re-

change markets were less volatile. Sales rose by 24 per cent to £1.02 billion

struments will help absorb £20 by the increased sales force corporation tax in the UK and the tax charge is not expected to go up in 1990. Year-end gearing was 32 per cent, although there was still net interest income of £2 million from cash on deposit in the

per cent to £128 million. Sales of Fisons' key anti-

Profits

1988. Pennwalt raised Fisons' coverage of the general pracer market from 40-50 per cent to 95 per cent, Mr John He was encouraged by sales

of Tilade, a successor to Intal. He said £100 million would **at on expanding research** laboratories over the next few

target By Colin Narbrough

Economics Correspondent

Senior monetary officials from the leading industrial nations have agreed to prop up the sagging yen and main tain a firm mark – underlining the message concerted central bank action against the dollar has been sending the

Concerned that the risk of inflation is now higher than the risk of economic slowdown, the officials at an Organization of Economic Development meeting agreed that longer-term measures to control inflation must be

If endorsed by today's meeting of Group of Seven officials, this view should help the Bank of Japan delay the expected rise in Japanese interest rates. Meanwhile, the US Federal

Reserve Board sold dollars late in the European trading day after the Bank of Japan unloaded the currency on a large scale. The pound recovered some of its poise. Its trade-weighted index closed 0.3 of a point up at 88, reflecting a one-cent

gain against the dollar to \$1.6490 and a 1.44 pfennig rise to DM2.8066. A parliamentary reply from Mrs Thatcher, reaffirming the Government's determination

to keep base rates at the level needed to fight inflation, ap-

OECD to Berisford faces unhappy investors

By Our City Staff

Berisford International, the sugar and property group, is holding individual meetings with unhappy institutional investors to discuss possible management changes in the wake of the group's disastrons involvment in New York

atory.

However, some fund man-ABF, Berisford's largest shareholder, which has 23 per cent of the equity, in its pressure the chairman, to step down.

property investment. Some of Berisford was forced to

these meetings are explor- assume control of some US properties after a downturn in the market and bail out some gers are known to support of its property partners. The group spent more than \$8 million on buying out partners and assumed more than \$32 for Mr Ephraim Margulies, million of liabilities previously those of the partners. Comment, page 25

Bénard says Eurotunnel needs more than £1.5bn

By John Bell, City Editor

Eurotunnel is working on fund raising will be fixed on plans to raise considerably more than the £1.5 billion it the basis of an unchanged cost cross-Channel project.

Detailed financing plans are being finalized with the consortium of 208 banks backing the project and will not be revealed until next month. But the decision to provide extra funding was indicated by

shareholders and the balance from the banks, he added. In London, the company said that an extra contingency

provision in addition to the

funds required to complete the

project was under consid-

cration, though its size had not

M André Bénard, group group would need more than Fr15 billion (£1.6 billion). A quarter would come from

says is needed to complete the estimate for the completed project of £7.2 billion agreed with banks early in January. The company stresses that there has been no new slippage.

But the plan for a contin-gency fund probably takes account of a dispute with the 10-strong construction con-sortium Transmanche-Link He said in Calais that the over what were to be fixedprice portions of the contract. TML and Eurotunnel are going to arbitration over £380 million claimed by the contractors.

M Bénard's hint of extra

feeling that Eurotunnel is

considering intermediate fi-

nance as a cushion between

shareholders and banks. This

that Eurotunnel's additional convertible loan aimed at equity investors or mezzanine finance from banks. Some of the banks financing

the project are thought to favour the idea of an additional layer of finance. This would provide additional security for their own debt in the light of the substantial rise in cost of the project. This has escalated from £4.8 billion originally to £7.2 billion. Though financing is due to

be settled by April, it is understood that a rights issue will be timed for closer to the date when the service tunnels meet. The breakthrough is expected by December and is believed by Eurotunnel to be important in reducing the fund raising lends weight to a perception of risk in the project. If this is the case, the company will be able to fix terms of the share issue more been settled. It is understood could take the form of a favourably.

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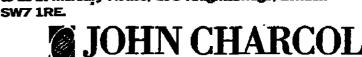
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USM award goes to fast-growing plant hire group

Ashtead builds a winning entry

By Michael Clark Stock Market Correspondent

These days good news from the building sector is a rare event indeed. But Ashtead, the Surrey-based plant hire specialist, has proved that it is not necessarily all gloom and doom in the

world of bricks and mortar. Last night at the Grosvenor House Hotel it scooped the top accolade of USM Company of 1989 at the annual dinner sponsored by the international accountant Coopers & Lybrand Deloitte

and USM Magazine. Its name joins a prestigious list of other winners that includes Parkway and Blenheim Exhibitions. Runners-up included Capita, Perkins Food, Norfolk House, Southern Business Group and Alan Paul. The glittering event has over

recent years established itself as one of the year to April 30, 1989. Analysts are the highlights of the City calendar. looking for another 25 per cent growth in

The thousand-plus guests, including company chairmen, merchant bankers, stockbrokers and celebrities, listened intently to the guest of honour Mr Jeffrey Archer, politician, playwright and au-thor, who has proved himself the equal of many a City pundit in making the odd million, or two.

But even he would be hard pressed to match the breathtaking performance of Mr Peter Lewis, chairman, and fellow director Mr George Burnett, who between them have turned Ashtead from a a "small regional hire company" into one of the most profitable companies in the country. They have mised pre-tax profits, since the group went public in 1986, from £533,000 to £5.5 million in earnings during the current year with most of them having already pencilled in pre-tax profits of £7.8 million this time

Ashtead joined the USM in November

1986 at 122p a share and touched an alltime high of 400p in 1987 before the crash. It enjoys bold management that has purposely kept its exposure to the new housebuilding market to a minimum - a shrewd move indeed Mr Tom Horn, chairman of Norfolk

House, which develops and manages roadside service stations, was Entrepreneur of the Year, and Le Creuset, the French cookware group, took the USM Overseas Company of the Year

Fisons' formula works wonders

At the end of a decade in US last year, despite the which profits rose from £3.8 expiry of the drug's main million to £169 million, patents there in 1988. Fisons feels able to indulge in a little self-congratulation. Mr protected by patents covering John Kerridge, chairman for the size of the particles most of that time, is under- which is critical to its effecstandably proud of that tiveness — and the hurdle record. While Fisons issued rivals face in obtaining reguplenty of paper during the latory approval for their Eighties, earnings per share products. rose from 1.2p in 1981 to

growth is that many long-pean markets where it has standing holders look on Fisons shares as a source of income, even though the 1989 dividends of 6.2p were three times covered by earnings. case of Anyone who bought £1,000 busines worth in 1980 now receives no less than £516 in dividends.

But perhaps most remarkable is that Fisons' brilliant career has been founded on intal, an anti-asthmatic drug which lost its patent protection in Britain as long ago as

The Intal issue is important because some analysts still see Fisons as struggling to replace its off-patent drugs with taxdriven acquisitions - such as its £270 million purchase of VG Instruments in December. The argument is that these deals are eroding Fisons' claim to be rated as a

pharmaceuticals stock. Fisons' answer is that sales of Intal rose 30 per cent in the

The drug continues to be

Fisons is pleased with the progress of Tilade, Intal's 22.3p last year. progress of Tilade, intal's One odd result of that main successor, in the Eurobeen launched. And Mr Kerridge makes no apology for building a portfolio of non-pharmaceutical activities in case of hiccups in the drugs

With profits of £225 million and earnings of 26p likely this year, the prospective p/e ratio is 12 with the shares at 319p. That is not unduly expensive for a prescription that has worked well in the past.

Templeton

Templeton, Galbraith & Hansberger has become known for buying the things no one else wants. It is now filling its funds with New Zealand and Australian equities, while most investors are happy to give them away. Japan it refuses to touch.

This approach has made Sir John Templeton, the chairman, and his clients, rich. It



has not had the same effect on equity index climbed 17 per the shares. Despite Templeton having a better profit and fund growth record, its shares trade at less than half the value that Banque Indosuez is about to

pay for Gartmore. After a downward blip in 1988, the company returned to growth last year with net profits up 30 per cent at \$55.4 million. Total funds under management grew by 26 per cent to \$17.5 billion.

funds. Last year, while the global

Templeton's growth fund, the core of its many products, gained 22 per cent. Templeton rolls over only a fifth of its portfolio every year, an audible raspberry to shorter-term managers.

The greatest threats to the company's continued growth are the large marketing budgets and rising brokers' commissions of its opponents

There is still life in the City of Pre-tax profits of \$76 mil-London property market. The

London is evidence of that Christmas cards last year. It It also indicates that British is one of the few growth property assets are falling into stocks in the retail sector. two categories. First there are Pre-tax profits rose from those of a size, shape or £2.5 million to £3.44 million location to normally attract a for the year to January and domestic buyer. The problem sales 61 per cent to £38.4 milis that domestic institutions lion. Forty-nine shops were are not interested in buying Second is the type that can attract an international buyer. pened but like-for-like sales from existing shops rose 13 per cent. Earnings per

Clinton Cards, the USM-

old about 20 million

scours the world for.

Wates City

quoted greeting cards group,

Through its policy of investing share rose 33 per cent to only in City property, virtually all Wates City's assets fall 17.1p and the total dividend is up 20 per cent at 4.23p. into this category. This inter-Mr Don Lewin, chairman, (left with friend) expects to national demand is the company's salvation. It means open at least 30 shops this there will be buyers for any year taking the total over 200. Analysts forecast profits development the company chooses to sell. More imof about £4.3 million for portantly, it means that the value of the completed 1990 putting the shares, up 2p at 249p, on a rating of 11.8. They are a strong hold. developments it chooses not

to sell will go up.

Net asset growth is what

Wates is about and shareholdlion are in sight this year, giving the shares at 210p a p/e ers can be pleased with the improvement from 264.8p to ratio of under nine, although the 3.9 per cent yield from the 300.2p a share in the year to 13 cent dividend could be December. The 30 per cent inmore generous. Even so, the crease in net rental income shares are beginning to look like one of the same underand sharp reduction in borrowings offer further security.
Ignore the apparent slump
in pre-tax profits from £30.2 valued situations that Sir John

better-than-expected 13 per

cent cent increase in net assets

per share from the Square

Mile specialist Wates City of

million to £10.2 million, a reduction arising from the absence of property sales in 1989 - Wates' assets look a

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Profits climb 39% at Thomas Robinson

Thomas Robinson, the acquisitive mini-conglomerate, whose £220 million bid for John Crowther two years ago was trumped by a higher offer from Colorell, reports pre-tax profits for 1989 up 39 per cent at £25.1 million. Turnover was 46 per cent ahead at £307 million. The final dividend goes up by 0.5p to 2.5p, leaving the total a third higher at 4p. Aithough it raised £38 million in a rights issue last August,

fully-diluted earnings per share rose by 21 per cent to 14.1p. Mr Graham Rudd, the chairman, said: "Despite the more difficult market-place, our order books are strong, which gives us confidence for the current year. The growth of the group during the past four years provides an excellent platform from which to move forward into the 1990s."

Victaulic up Profits rise to £8.8m

Greater water market de-mand helped Victaulic improve pre-tax profits 16 per cent to £8.8 million on turnover up a quarter to £78.3 million in the year ending December. The water market accounted for 38 per cent of trade to become the largest user of group prod-ucts. Total dividend improves 15 per cent to 9.75p after a final payout of 6.5p on earnings of 28.8p (25.2p).

for Expamet

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Expamet International, the building and security products group, made pre-tax profits of £13.6 million in 1989, up 32 per cent on last year. Sales rose 30 per cent to £150 million and earnings per share rose 25 per cent to 21.3p. The dividend is up 14 per cent at 10p. There was an extraordinary gain of £7.1 million from the £20 million disposal programme. The

Interlink nears £3.6m

Interlink Express, the Unlisted Securities Market overnight parcels delivery and distribution group, lifted pre-tax profits by 4.6 per cent to £3.57 million in the six mouths to end-

December on turnover up 22 per cent to £23.5 million.
However, after last November's decision to close the lossmaking West German and French operations, the company revealed £4.2 million extraordinary write-off costs. Interlink shut its German subsidiary after a long-running dispute with management and failure to reach agreement on contracts with certain franchisees. Earnings per share rise from 13.67p to 14.28p. The interim dividend is 4.12p, against 3.75p.

Carpenter bid success

E R Carpenter has declared its £15.84 million agreed bid for Hyman unconditional as to acceptances after winning nearly 80 per cent of the rabber products company. Accentances have been received from 64.71 per cent of Hyman shareholders to add to the 15.03 per cent stake Carpenter owns through market purchases. The offer remains open until further

US factory orders drop

Orders to US factories for manufactured goods fell 5.4 per cent in January - the largest one-month decline for more than 15 years. Orders for both durable and non-durable goods totalied a seasonally-adjusted \$227.7 billion following gains of 8.4 per cent in December and 2.4 per cent in November. It was the steepest decline since a 7 per cent drop in December, 1974.

Blagden rises 11%

Blagden Industries, the packaging and chemicals group lifted pre-tax profits by 11 per cent to £11.5 million in the year to end-December, on turnover up by 20 per cent to £193.7 million. Earnings slip from 18p to 17.6p, after 1988's rights issue. The final is 4.9p (4.5p), making 9.1p against 8.4p.

The packaging division, which principally comprises new and refurbished steel drums, saw operating profits rise by 9.3 per cent to £9.84 million, on turnover up 20 per cent to £148.5 million. Sales benefited from the Spanish subsidiary after Blagden raised its stake from 50 per cent to 80 per cent.

Ferranti to pay off a further £70m of debt to bankers

By Angela Mackay

Ferranti International expects didate or merger partner, the to hand another £70.2 million company was forced to sell-off to its bankers later this month French defence group Thom-son-CSF and £38.2 million from the disposal of the company's remaining 50 per

cent stake in Ferranti Italia. Mr Eugene Anderson, chairman, who replaced Sir Derek Alun-Jones last month, said yesterday that the sale of Marquardt, the Californianot expected "for some time." restructuring after discovering a £215 million hole in its assets caused by fraud committed by part of its US subsidiary, International Sig-

assets, in particular its radar -£32 million from the sale of division which was sold in half its sonar division to the January to GEC for £270 million, because it was in breach of bank covenants.

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Shareholders approved the issue of special shares at an egm yesterday designed to give them the right to benefit from proceeds of any litigation in respect of fraudulent

Mr Anderson said there was no certainty the litigation, against Peat Marwick, the Ferranti embarked on a auditors, four former executives and five Panamanian companies, would be suc-

The special shares have a subsidiary, International Sig-nal & Control. After failing to will be issued on the basis of one for every 10 ordinary.

Volvo hard hit by drop in car division profits

By Our City Staff

division contributed to a 15 per cent fall in the company's 1989 profits.

find a suitable takeover can-

During the last quarter, the company said it also charged SwKr794 million (£74.2 million)to its operating in-come through a write-off of goodwill and a change accounting policies.

A 46 per cent fall in operating profit before tax and appropri-profits for AB Volvo's car ations of SwKr7.011 billion against SwKr8.243 billion in 1988. Analysts had been expecting about SwKr8.0 bil-

Excluding the goodwill write-off and changes in accounting policies, operating income for the fourth quarter was SwKr802 million against 1.984 billion for the last quarter of 1988.

COMPANY BRIEFS

WATMOUGHS (Fin) *Pre-tacc* £10.1 m (£6.6 m) *EPS:* 36.65p (26.72p) *Dhr:* 7.75p, mkg 10.25p CHELSEA MAN (Int)
Pre-tax: 20.70m (20.67m)
EPS: 6.24p (3.79p)
Div: 0.8p (0.8p)

Pre-tax: \$1.20m (\$1.11m) EPS: 14c (14c loss) Div: 3c, mkg 6c WATERMAN PART. (Int) Pre-tax: £2.45m (£2.41m)

EPS: 8.3p (8.2p) Div: 2.2p (2.0p) EPS: 7.95p (7.56p) Div: 2p (2p)

SUNSET & VINE (Int) Pre-tax: £0.33m (£0.32m) EPS: 4.3p (4.8p) Dhr. 1.5p (nil)

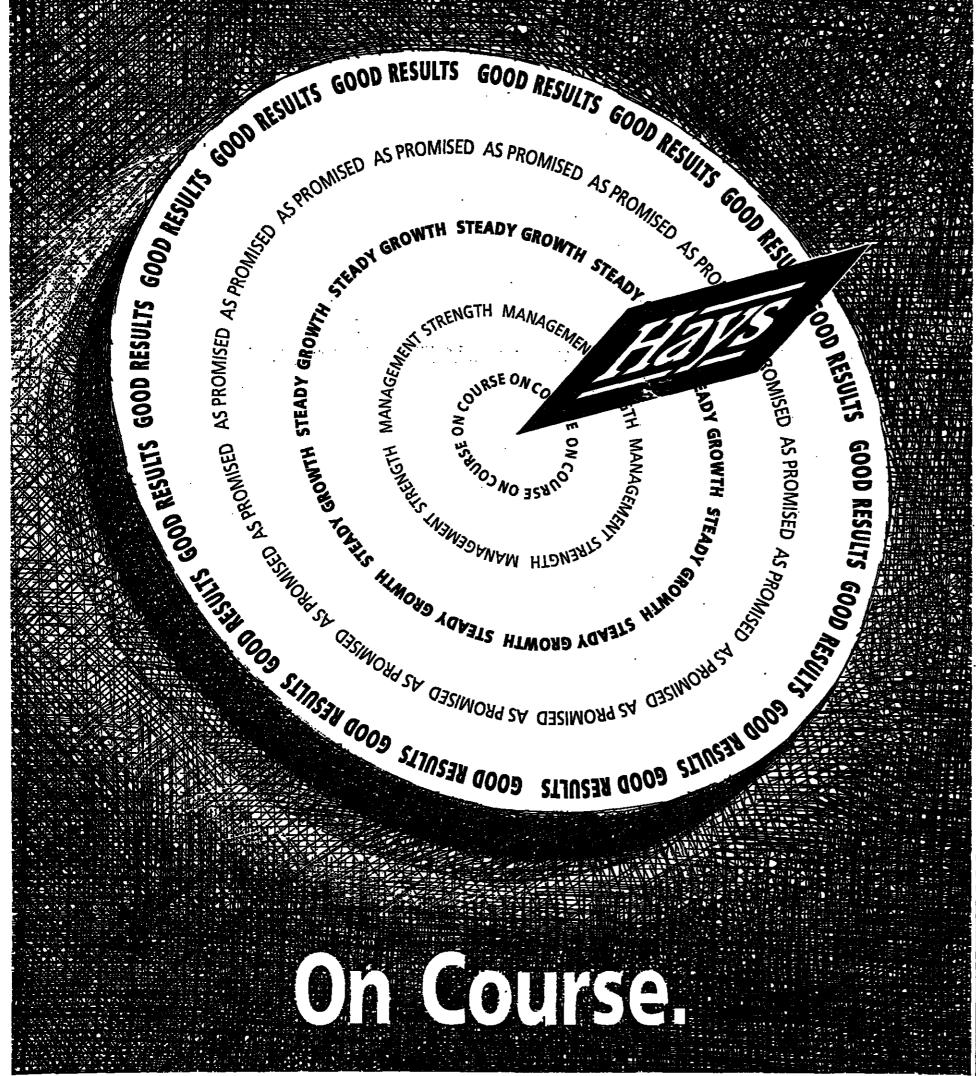
Last year's total dividend was 8.23p Watmoughs is buying one-third of Christies' White Bros subsidiary for £2.97m in ordinary shares.

Sales £10.2m (£2.38m), Company had an excellent Christmas, trading at full retail price throughout." Board is "extremely confident." Last year's total dividend was 5.5c.

Group turnover eased from \$26m to \$25.1m. Order book is \$82.2m after \$47.1m new contracts in 1989. Work done rose by 29% to £8.77ff

The board reports that the second half has started well with new enquiries at a high level. INTEREUROPE TECH. (Int)
Pre-tax: £0.64m (£0.60m)
Turnover £6.23m (£6.22m). Board reports that its market-place reports that its market-place remains competitive and this is reflected in its tracking margins.

Turnover increased from £1,06m to £1,29m. Company said the benefits of last September's move to larger premises are flowing through.



With operating profits up 19% to £29.2m, Hays is right on course.

Our aim has always been to ensure our customers' satisfaction, and we achieve this by continued investment

in good management and our commitment to the highest quality of service.

It is our approach that has made Hays one of the largest and most

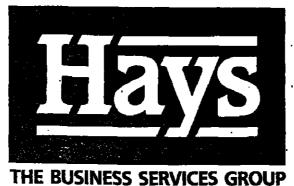
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OPERATING PROFIT **PROFIT AFTER TAX** ATTRIBUTABLE TO HAYS SHAREHOLDERS **NET DIVIDEND PER SHARE**

£29.2m +19% £24.5m £15.2m* £17.6m* +16% 1.0p[†] 1.15p +15%

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EC chief set to oppose UK Cash from Cerebos to on Japanese car exports

The European Community's EC was not taken into worry is that if transplant-car the EC was likely to be small exports were counted against On the prospect of Japanese indicated that he will back French calls for Japanese cars made in Britain to be accounted for in fixing temporary quotas for Japanese car exports to the EC after 1992.

Mr Frans Andriessen, the Commissioner for External Trade, yesterday sympathized with Britain's demands for unrestricted exports of Japanese cars made in Britain. He said he understood the difficulties of agreeing transitional imports if production from

Standard

Chartered

first step towards one.

debt provisions.

Jameel offer

Jameel has introduced a loan

accrue interest 21 days after

the Jameel offer is declared

Eagle Trust, the engineering

and film camera group whose annual report is due to be

£1.24 million cash to Rigdate,

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Eagle deal

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He insisted the matter would not affect the free export of British-made cars to other EC countries, but agreed it could mean that Japanese direct exports to the EC would be reduced in proportion to not to count exports from exports to other EC countries Japanese factories in the US from Japanese factories in Britain and elsewhere.

This would infuriate Britain, which insists that Britishmade Japanese cars cannot legally be subject to any EC arrangements for Japanese car restrictions or treated differently from cars made in EC-

Japanese direct exports, To- car factories being set up in kyo might limit production in Eastern Europe, he said those Britain, switching to more factories would spend at least profitable exports from Japanese plants.

The Commission's decision appears to make the rules for exports from EC transplants more restrictive than those from US transplants.

Mr Andriessen defended the US decision - taken to ington - by saying the number "transplant" factories in the owned factories. Britain's of US-made cars exported to transitional phase.

the transitional phase filling the demand for cars in Eastern Europe. After the transition, the EC car market would be completely unrestricted.

Mr Andriessen, who spoke after a bitter quarrel on Monday between the French and British sides, will visit Japan for talks on March 23 and 24. But he did not expect Tokyo avert retaliation from Wash- to make any concrete offer on voluntary restraints during the

Wyevale nurtures profit



The £11.8 million bid by East 14.5 per cent to £1.64 million in the year to of Scotland Industrial Invest-December. Turnsver for the 19 centres grew 24 ments for Saltire Insurance per cent to £16.3 million, said Mr Christopher preference shares. The final divide Powell, the chairman, pictured after planting a lifting the total 20 per cent to 5.4p. Investments, the Edinburgh

Wyevale Garden Centres' pre-tax profits rose magnolia tree at St Paul's Cathedral, London. Earnings per share fell to 13.3p from 15.9p on the effects of a £3.6 million issue of convertible preference shares. The final dividend is 3.6n.

Fair Trading Act 1973. This demands a referral when such

a transfer of interests is made

by a proprietor of newspapers

with a paid circulation of

more than 500,000 a day.

idential development, Carlton Gate. The talks follow the Mr David Sullivan, publisher of Sunday Sport, has had his appointment of liquidators at Declan Kelly, Eagle Star's intention to take a controlling stake in the Bristol Evening joint developer at Carlton Gate. Funding of about £60 Post referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. million is required if the Mr Sullivan owns 7.5 per development is to be finished. cent of the newspaper group Invergordon up and plans to increase this stake substantially. The Trade and Industry Secretary has referred the matter under the

Invergordon Distillers will return to the stock market in the next few months, less than two years after its £93 million management buyout. Yesterday the group announced pre-tax profits in 1989 of £14.7 million, up 44 per cent.

Tri-ang on sale Mavflower, the fabrics and packaging group, has put Tri- | considerably more than this

after winning acceptances for only 8.2 per cent of the equity. Publisher's | Weaker economy Talks on site Eagle Star is in talks with the syndicate of banks with the function of banks in talks with the function of banks in talks with the syndicate of banks in talks with the syndicate of banks with the MMC The star is in talks with the syndicate of banks with the syndica

Hays, the business services group, believes any downturn in the business economy could be good news for his company because of its involvement

with the recruitment of accountants. He said: "You require accountants more when things are bad than when they are good. Companies need to find

out where their losses are coming from." Mr Frost was speaking as Hays unveiled its first set of figures since its ill-fated stock

Should Mr Sullivan gain market flotation in October clearance, he will have inlast year. The £393 million placing terests in newspapers selling coincided with the week of the

By Matthew Bond Mr Ronnie Frost, chairman of resulted in 92 per cent of the Hays, the business services placed shares being left with the sub-underwriters.

However, the last of the company's loose shareholders departed three weeks ago, according to Mr Frost. In the six months to Decem-

ber, actual pre-tax profits rose 28 per cent to £21.3 million. On a pro forma basis, assuming the post-float structure had been in place since 1988, the improvement was a more modest 13 per cent to £27.3 million. The interim dividend

A 19 per cent rise in operating profits to £29.2 million was backed by a strong performance in all three of the stock market's big fall, which company's divisions.

Waiting for Day to break news

Sir Graham Day, boss of Rover and chairman of Cadbury Schweppes, has lined himself up another chairmanship, that of British Aerospace's new personal communication network. Full details of the network are still shrouded in secrecy, and the company is trying to keep a tight hid on Sir Graham's exact role before a formal announcement this week. BAe's space systems offshoot is part of a consortium awarded a PCN licence by the Department of Trade and Industry in December. The consortium includes Matra of France, Pacific Telesis of San Francisco and Millicom. Sir Graham's post is another addition to his various non-executive duties; suggestions in the electronics industry are that the managing director, and the man in charge of the day-today running as the service approaches its 1992 launch, will come from Pacific Telesis.

Call to the arms

The daft things some com-pany chairman will do to drum up business: John Young, chairman of the South London brewery of that name, will soon be appearing on posters and in advertisments dressed as Lord Kitchener, field marshal's uniform and all pushing his company's beers. Young's believes it will benefit from the relaxations brought in by last year's MMC report, and the slogan is

No soft option for K&H

Two brave traditional options traders who struck out on their own after long careers with Smith New Court put their futures on the line this week when K&H Options started trading. Phil Kitchener and Bob Holt set up shop with the backing of Ensign Trust after they left Smith New Court three months ago. Back office and administrative duties are

the new business operates. "The people who are doing the "The people who are doing use best in the City at the moment are those in niche specialist businesses," says Phil. But the current trading climate is surely not one to encourage business ventures, "It new business ventures. may seem a bit foolbardy, but people who go out on a limb when the times seem wrong carried out by the Dutch bank are very often dead right in the Kas Clearing Agents, from end."

Sir Peter Thompson, outgoing chairman of NFC, of workershareholder fame, has always been a man of the people with a healthy distrust of corporate

Blackpool recently with the Lawyers wigged following suggestion after "fluffing" his rehearsed lines. Corporate lawyers, he said gruffly, should replace laboratory rats. Sir Peter cited three reasons: corporate lawyers would be less missed by protocol. He celebrated his humanity, the laboratory asslast NFC annual meeting at istants would be less attached to them and there are some things even rats will not do.



After the appropriation of greybound racing by City slickers, I have spotted another social trend in the making. County NatWest's European mergers and acquisitions team has been appointed to sell some bingo halls for the Noble Organis-ation, after performing a simi-lar service for Greenall Whitley. In the team's favour as it pitched for the business, it claims, was its "sophisticated knowledge of the game."

Noble game

Nigel takes a stake

am pleased to see Nigel Lawson is putting his money where his mouth is. He has just paid slightly more than £4,000 for 715 Barclays Bank shares following his appointment as a director. The 715 represent his entire holding. Did he have to sell his Treasury bonds to raise the money, I wonder?

Crying's over Argentina, for all its economic woes, is certainly popular these days. Lord King has

reopened air links to Buenos Aires and even the Royal Navy has been secretly playing football with Argentinians on South Georgia. Now City institutions are lining up this week to take part in a \$850-950 million Argentian debt-toequity conversion Midland Montagu hopes to have in the bag by Friday. Sir Kit Mc-Mahon's bank, which has had its share of troubles with Latin America, is the only British house involved, with the rest of the interest coming from the Continent, Japan, North

America and Argentina. • Every chairman dreads that inevitable moment when a shareholder gets up at the annual meeting and asks why there are no lady directors. Allen Sheppard at Grand Metropolitan faced just one such only a couple of weeks ago. Next year he shold have at least half of an answer. emary Thorne has been made group financial controller, just a step down from full

board membership. Martin Waller

aid RHM expansion

By Colin Campbell

Ranks Hovis McDougall is to use the £186 million net proceeds from the sale of its 70 per cent stake in Cerebos Pacific to expand in Europe. RHM, further to the February 9 announcement that the Suntory group of Japan had been granted exclusive negotiating rights for its 70 per cent stake in Cerebos, said the sale had been finalized and that the proceeds were due by April 12.

The deal is subject to approval from the Foreign Investment Review Board of Australia.

Suntory's offer for the Singapore-based manufactimer and distributor of branded food products in Australia and the Far East, was made at Sing\$8.25 (£2.68) a share, valuing all of Cerebos Pacific at £265.7 million.

RHM added that the proceeds would reduce its pro forma gearing to less than 10 per cent and would provide the group with additional resources to develop its businesses in Europe, including Britain, and the US.

"Although there are no immediate plans for substantial acquisitions in either of these regions, expansion in Europe is one of RHM's principal objectives," it added.

In the year ended July 31, Cerebos Pacific made pre-tax profits of Sing\$63.1 million. Net profit attributable to RHM from Cerebos was £7.1 million, equivalent to 2p per RHM share.

RHM shares traded 6p lower at 3790.

Goldsmith's man for board of Guinness

Guinness has appointed Sir James Goldsmith's right-hand man, Mr Ian Duncan, as managing director finance. Mr Duncan, who follows in the footsteps of Mr Olivier Roux, Mr Michael Julien and Mr Frank Fitzpatrick, was president and chief executive of GO Holdings Management, the company responsible for virtually all the US dealmaking activities of Sir James. Mr Duncan, aged 58, was educated at Edinburgh University. He qualified as a chartered accountant and worked for 15 years at ICI before joining Cavenham UK as group controller. He joined

GO Holdings in 1983.

COMMENT David Brewerton

Why De Beers may be splitting diamonds

quarters of Anglo American Corporation, they think in decades, if not half-centuries. So maybe not this year, or next, but at sometime in the future it is likely that it will be to the advantage of the group that offshore assets of De Beers Consolidated Mines are held offshore, rather than through the central company in South Africa. It is not difficult to imagine circum-

stances where this would be the case. Anglo, owner of 33 per cent of De Beers equity, campaigned long and honestly for a more liberal political regime in South Africa. On the Sunday afternoon that Nelson Mandela was released from his 27 years of confinement, De Beers was the first corporate entity to get its welcome onto the world's newswires. But when Mr Mandela came out, he was talking the language of nationalization. The chairman of Anglo, Gavin Relly, a man known to give news photographers short shrift, posed for the world's press outside Mr Mandela's house. But when the two men met, in Soweto rather than Main Street, they did not exactly hit it

The rearrangement of De Beers, under which about 40 per cent of net assets, but 80 per cent of attributable earnings, are to be parked under the wing of a Swiss-domiciled parallel company, has the distinct sniff of "just in case" about it. The overseas assets will be placed potentially out of reach of the South African authorities. While the two halves, old De Beers and De Beers Centenary, start life with their equities "stapled" together as a unit, if push in auticame to shove, they could probably be parted. De Beers is likely to see this price.

n Main Street, Johannesburg, head-quarters of Anglo American Corp-course of action, for the moment at

Similarly, the two companies start life with identical boards of directors and with their trading operations intertwined. But each is being encouraged to develop its own interests, and each is likely to command its own access to capital markets. The cost of borrowing, for De Beers Centenary, is likely to be lower with a stable Swiss base than with an unstable South African domicile. Even without nationalization, we can expect the two companies to drift apart over the years until the staple rusts

So much for the obvious, but there is more to the magic wand of chairman Julian Ogilvie Thompson, recently made chairman of Anglo and also chairman of Minorco. This is bound to figure in the De Beers Swiss offshoot, since De Beers holds 21 per cent of Minorco. The market thought so, and marked the Minorco share price up from 991p to 1009p.

The reconstruction, while having obvious political implications, is a building bloc for other things to come. It is, for instance, interesting that it has the stamp of approval of the South African Reserve Bank authorities, which must be convinced that De Beers is not simply digging an exit tunnel from which to drag assets out of the country.

In the end, it might all be about the share price. A similar Swiss move made by Rembrandt group in setting up Richemont to hold all its offshore assets in autumn 1988 has been followed by a 130 per cent appreciation in the share

Leaning on Berisford

hose who accuse the City's professional investors of benign neglect should look closely at the case of Berisford International before making the allegation lightly. Leading fund managers are on the warpath and it will be surprising if, eventually, they fail to have their way.

But the pressure for change is no less powerful for the fact that it is being exercised with a degree of restraint. Institutional shareholders might easily have engineered an embarrassment at the group's annual meeting on Monday, had they been minded to do so.

A number of them withdrew their proxies lodged in support of the board in a gesture of protest at the appalling losses inflicted on shareholders' funds through Berisford's flirtation with the cut-throat New York property world. Along with the 23 per cent controlled by its largest shareholder, ABF, the 13 or so per cent held by institutions might easily have overturned the routine motion to adopt the report and accounts. Both ABF and disgruntled fund managers deliberately pulled their

But there are some common threads emerging as to what the City big guns see as moves appropriate to the situation. The group's chairman, Mr Ephraim Margulies, was responsible for much of the group's successess in earlier days. There is a feeling now though that he should hand over to a younger man, better able to repair relationships with shareholders.

Other changes are being considered. It will be surprising if Mr Howard Zuckerman, chief executive of the US subsidiary, remains aboard if the institutions have their way. Without change, Berisford remains increasingly vulnerable with ABF sitting on 23 per cent of the votes and the enigmatic Irishman Mr Larry Goodman holding a further 12 per cent.

GROWTH THROUGH MANAGEMENT

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE HALF-YEAR

Unaudited results for the six months ended 31 December 1989

	1989	1988	Increase
Turnover .	179-48m	139-31m	. 29%
Pre tax profit	11-25m	10·19m	10%
Earnings per share	5-9p	5·5p	7%
Dividends per share	2·0p	1-5p	33%

66 I am pleased to report the results of the Group for the six months ended 31 December 1989. Although growth opportunities may be limited whilst high interest rates continue and the current economic climate prevails, we are confident that Raine Industries will continue to trade satisfactorily. The Board is confident that shareholders will have no reason to feel disappointed with the full year's outcome. "

Peter W. Parkin, Chief Executive

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selective buying

New York (Reuter) - The weak yen, low bond prices and Dow Jones industrial average the approach of the March was up 2 points at 2,651.55 in futures and options contract early trading. Light buying in expiration tomorrow helped selected issues helped shares to subdue trading.

general market remained in a 10.94 points or 0.6 per cent. consolidation phase that had Sydney - The All-Ordfurther to go before shares inaries index finished 0.8 of a

US Treasury bills also • Hong Kong – The Hang opened slightly higher. Seng index shed 5.45 to • Tokye – The Nikkei index 2,933.23 and the broader-directly selected and the broa per cent, to 33,791.08.

Prices were pulled down by

Analysts explained that the dex ended at 1,822.22, off point down at 1,580.4.

dipped 54.12 points, or 0.16 based Hong Kong index 3.43 to 1,925.18.

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• Singapore - The Straits
Times industrial index edged

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fell 6p to 379p following the
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There was heavy turnover in food retailers with Tesco steady at 197p as more than I million shares were crossed between a buver and seller. A large block of Asda, down 1p at 108p, also went through the market. In the state of 7n to 412-

Sale plans

confirmed

at Swissair

By Our City Staff

Swissair has confirmed it has

signed a letter of intent to sell

its interests in Swissotel's 17

hotels as well as the manage-

ment company to the Aoki

M Jean-Claude Donzel, of

Swissair, said the deal was

expected to be completed in

the next few months. Finan-

Aoki, a construction com-

pany, owns 67 hotels in 11

countries through Westin Ho-

tels and Resorts, its American

subsidiary. It also operates the

price represented an attractive

return on its investment in the

hotel sector. M Donzel added

that the sale came about

because substantial invest-

ment would have been needed

for Swissotel to become a

viable international chain. In-

stead, Swissair will con-

centrate spending on connec

ation deals with other airlines

and on Galileo, a joint venture

computerized reservation sys-

The letter of intent also

includes a marketing agree-ment with Westin and Caesar

Park which would enable

Swissair to put about 100

hotels at the disposal of

Swissair said the agreed sale

nine Caesar Park Hotels.

cial details were not given.

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STOCK MARKET

Dow moves up on Interest rate fears hit shares

worldwide interest rates sent a benefiting from a shudder through share prices firmer copper price in London where the FT-SE FTA All share 100 index continued to edge

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lost 18p to 983p. County NatWest WoodMac, the broker, has cut its profits estimate for the current year by £10 million to £395 million and by £40 million to £400 million for 1991. WH Smith A also

Burton Group continued to edge nearer its low, losing 1p to 178p. Analysts are worried about the property division because of high interest rates with some forecasting losses of 275 million. But James Capel ha made a survey of its roperty deals and believes he fears are excessive.

profits downgrading by Caze-RTZ, the last of the independent mining finance

By Our Industrial Staff

Sir Ian MacGregor, the former

chairman of the National Coal

Board, yesterday told a con-

ference in London aimed at

encouraging companies to re-

tain older managers that he is

to leave Lazard Brothers, the

Sir Ian, aged 77, was ap-

pointed a non-executive direc-

tor of the bank after leaving

the National Coal Board in

He said after the conference:

"I am retiring from Lazard

Brothers because it has been

changed and the new manage-

ment who have taken over

think that probably they

would like to provide more

board spaces for some of the

younger men, which is understandable.

"I continuously start new

careers. I commend that as a

way to keep young and healthy

Sir Ian said he would con-

centrate on his post as chair-

man of Trusthouse Forte

Hotels in the United States,

which is a "pretty full-time task." He said: "As for the

UK, I haven't had any job

offers recently - I'm always

and challenged."

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fell 8p to 295p on talk of a

Great Universal Stores A as investors started to take notice of the copper price which has reached a threemonth high.

Full-year figures from CRA, its 49 per cent-owned Austrahan company, are being released today and should make

RTZ itself is also reporting full-year figures this month. Pre-tax profits are expected to soar from £427 million to £575 million, boosting earnings a share by 8.4p to 58.6p. Barclays de Zoete Wedd, the broker, says that the weak pound is good news and calculates that a fall of 1 per cent adds £2 million to earnings. A rise in interest rates also boosts earnings - the group has more than £800 million in the bank.

The recently-privatized water stocks ran into another bout of nervous selling with investors still worried about

'Too old' MacGregor

to quit Lazard board

Party has over the Conservarives and the Government unchanged at 239p. There will proposals to curb North Sea pollution. The dumping of sewage and sludge in the Polypipe, steady at 114p, North Sea will be ended by Sutcliffe, Speakman, 2p lower 1998 and the direct discharge by pipeline will be ended as soon as practicable. The cost to the industry is expected to add 6 per cent to water bills.

Falls were seen in Anglian, 7p to 164p, Northumbrian, 5p to 168p, North West, 4½p to 152p. Severa Treut, 2p to 141p, Southern, 5p to 145p, South West, 10p to 175p, Thames, 4p to 1534p, Welsh, 6p to 167p, Wessex, 6p to 168p, and Yerkshire, 7p to 180p. The water package turnbled £63 to £1,555.

The Government proposals mean that large sums will have to be spent installing waste disposal processing

GEC fell 4p to 210p following a downgrading of profits by James Capel, the broker, for this year and for 1991. But Capel's earnings estimates are m unchanged. It has downgraded profits because of the way GEC and Siemens have decided to divide

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Concentrating on THF position in US: Sir Ian yesterday

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RECENT ISSUES

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plants which could be good news for those companies already specializing in waste disposal and treatment. These include Rimec, the waste treatment group, %p lighter at 43p, Powerscreen, the filter manu-

engineers like the Weir Group, also be opportunities for equipment suppliers such as at 181p, and Caird, 1p dearer

at 535p. Breweries remained flat, worried by the prospect of sharply higher duty in the Budget and the proposed sale of several hotel chains. Allied-Lyons, down 7p at 422p, is trying to sell its Embassy chain, while Bass, 14p lower at 917p, has put the "for sale" sign up on its Crest chain. Allied is expected to raise £200 million from the sale of Embassy, while Crest has a price-tag of £350 million on it. But dealers believe that this sudden surplus of hotels on the market will hit prices. Bass has also had to contend with US selling of its shares. When it bought Holiday Inns re-

cently, it issued 7 million shares. These are now thought to be finding their way back to London. Scottish & Newcastle, 7p to 288p and and Whithread A,

6p to 369p.

Granada continued to lose ground, slipping 14p to 275p despite the chairman's attempts to put a brave face on at Monday's annual meeting. Analysts remain worried about prospects and several have been downgrading their

Staff image **'reflects** reliability'

employers reliability in the way they look, the Confederation of British Industry has

Mary Spillane of CMB.

profit estimates. Michael Clark

Workers are "walking advertisements" for their companies and reflect their

Presentation and image had become even more important in an increasingly competitive world, it added.

The CBI and CMB image Consultants, a firm of image consultants and media skills trainers, are promoting a oneday seminar, entitled Master Your Image, at the CBI's headquarters on March 27. "I always tell my clients they are the company's most important product," said Miss-

HK names ex-chief of Lafe

Mr Clifford Pang, former head of Lafe Holdings, the computer component maker, has become the second man in Hong Kong to be named a culpable insider dealer.

The first was Mr Li Kashing, head of Hutchison Whampoa, in 1986. Mr Pang will not be penalized because proposed changes to toughen Hong Kong's insider laws

have been delayed. A three-man Insider Dealing Tribunal said it believed Mr Pang, a founder, chief executive and principal shareholder of Lafe Holdings, had used his knowledge about the company to make a profit of nearly HK\$23 million (£1.77 million) by selling most of his 49 per cent stake in Lafe between March 1 and May 5 last year.

Meanwhile, the colony's Appeal Court ruled that Mr Ronald Li, the former chief of the Hong Kong bourse, will stand trial on two corruption

The charges allege that Mr Li accepted preferential allocation of shares in Cathav Pacific Airways and Novel Enterprises as rewards for granting listings on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in 1986 and 1987.

Greggs grows

Greggs, the bakery chain which made pre-tax profits of £6.89 million (£6.2 million) in 1989, plans to open 37 shops this year. The group has bought 10 baker's shope in Birmingham from Birmingham Dairies. Sales for the year rose to £76.7 million (£70.8 million) and earnings per share were up to to 39.8p (35.9p). The dividend for the year is 12p (8p).

Raine advance

Raine Industries has lifted its interim dividend 33 per cent to 2p, on pre-tax profits up by a tenth to £11,25 million, in the six months to end-December. Group turnover rose 29 per cent to £179.5 million. Earnings per share were 5.9p (5.5p).

Offer cleared

Norwich Union's £342 million bid for Girobank's leasing businesses - part of the bank's privatization - has hen cleared by Mr Nicholas Ridley, the Trade Secretary. Nor-wich already owns three leasing businesses.

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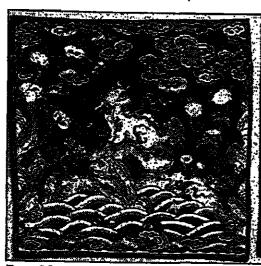
ANTIQUES AND COLLECTABLES

Moving in from the fringe

Tapestry is not viewed as one of the fine arts in Britain, but that could be changing, Huon Mallalieu writes

espite Polonius, Mortlake and William Morris, the British have never accorded tapestry the high rank among the fine arts that it is given in France and Germany. Indeed, with the exception of carpets, collecting textiles in Britain has been regarded as a fringe activity, the territory of the interior decorator or the costumier rather than the antique dealer. But there is a market for textiles here, as witnessed by the popularity not only of specialist auctions, but also of those startlingly priced lots of domestic linen in country house contents sales, and nowadays even in London there are specialist dealers, like the Antique Tex-tile Company, in Portland

at Maastricht in The Netherlands, which runs from March 10 to 18. It is one of the great fairs of the annual round, and last year the traditional division into sections for paintings, antiques and contemporary works was augmented by a vase designs; Bernheimer, of 17th centuries, and as well as textura section. This time it Munich and London, has a will consist of seven stands splendid 17th-century Ottoman embroidery, similar to century Hamburg wool and



Part of the opening exhibition at a new gallery: an 18th-century Chinese badge of rank woven using peacock feathers (left), and a badge depicting a silver pheasant from the same period

Austria, Belgium, Britain, West Germany and Italy producing about 250 exhibits Signs of a new scriousness between them at prices rangare partly due to the influence ing between £3,000 and £150,000. Inevitably, the emphasis will be on carpets and rugs, but there will also be tapestries, hangings and fabrics. Franz Bausback, of fifth time, and the textura Mannheim, has two remarkable Persian Kerman carpet fragments, with sickle-leaf and

Washington DC; and the Mi-Unicorn in the Forest. lan branch of Eskenazi will show a 19th-century Khotan Oasis rug from East Turke-

Michael Franses of the Texthan anyone else. They have two this month, on March 13 section was his idea. He concentrates on carpets and textiles from the 15th to the merous hangings, such as two late 17th or early 18th century Ottoman examples embroid-

ered with talips and crescent pearls, embroidered susanis - will be ceramics, paintings, often marriage bedspreads lacquer, sculpture, enamels from Bokhara and Uzbeki- and metalwork, and the prices stan, an Egyptian tent with cotton appliqué decorations, Turkish towels with estimates from £50 to £300, Kashmir shawls and Chinese and Japanese robes.

Phillips West Two also have a sale which will include Oriental textiles, linen and lace on March 21.

we exhibitions with notable Oriental textiles and costume will open shortly, one at London's oldest antique business and the other at a new gallery.

The Oriental department of Spink, King Street, St James's, SW1 (01-930 7888) will be given over to "The Arts of Japan" from March 22 to April 6, which is designed to illustrate the development and achievements of the Edo (1615-1868) and Meji (1868-1912) periods. However, this will not exclude some spectacular exhibits from earlier and March 20, both at 2pm, periods, such as a wooden but probably more interesting sculpture of Bishamonten, a guardian deity, which dates from the Kamakura period (1185-1336), considered the high period of Japanese sculp-

As well as the textiles there will range from about £1,000 to £100,000.

Linda Wrigglesworth has specialized in antique Chinese textiles for the last 14 years, during which she has seen Mandarin robes emerge from the dressing up box to be the prized centrepieces of collec-tions — and often expensive items to acquire.

She is opening a gallery on the ground floor at 34 Brook Street, WI (01-408 0177), on April 19 with a show devoted to "the Badge of Rank" - the circular or square panel which together with the hat button denotes the status of a Mandarin. The circles, with dragons of differing numbers of toes, were worn by the Imper-ial family and the nobles. The squares decorated with different birds, were for the nine ranks of civil servants, while the military officials were squares with real or mythical

These last are rare compared to civilian examples, but with obvious exceptions for great age or particular quality, rank badges are still an affordable collecting field. pared to civilian examples, for great age or particular quality, rank badges are still

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The following is a list of exhibitions and sales from March 7 until April 4. Auctions start at 11am unless other-

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To Mar 11: Tatton Park Antiques Fair, Knutsford, Cheshre (01-550 5435). To Mar 16: Exhibitions of William Rothenstein, Max Rutherston, 2nd floor, 180 New Bond Street, W1 (01-629 4189). To Mer 16: Prints by John Copley (1875-1950). Agnew's, Old Bond Street, W1 (01-629

ON SALE

Mar 8 (1.30pm): Pipes and smoking sale. Phillips, 101 New Bond Street, W1 (01-829 6602). Mar 9: Sale of ex-MoD aircraft. Sotheby's, New Bond Street, W1 (01-493 8080). Mar 12: Continental ceramics sale. Christie's, King Street, St James's, SW1 (01-839 9060). Mar 12-Apr 6: Agney's 117th Mar 12-Apr 6: Agnew's 117th Mor 12-Apr 6: Agnew's 117th annual watercolour exhibition, 43 Bond Street. Mar 13-24: Chelsea Antiques Fair, Old Town Hall, SW3 (04447 2514). Mar 14-Apr 12: Exhibition of Julia Margaret Cameron's photographs. Colnaghi, Old Bond Street, W1 (01-491 7408). Mar 15 (2pm): Furniture, Bonhams, Montpeller Speet SW7 (01-584 9161). Mar Speet SW7 (01-584 9161). Mar Sreet, SW7 (01-584 9161). Mar 16-18: Spring Cambridgeshire Antique Dealers' Fair, Childford Hall Barns, Linton, Cambs (0937 832029). Mar 17-18: Ceramics Fair, Dyson Per-

(11am and 1pm): Books and Mussolini documents. Phillips. New Bond Street. Mar 22: Furniture and scientific instruments sale. Lawrence, Crewkerne, Somerset (0460 73041). Mar 22-23 (10.30am and 2.30pm both days): Coins, medals and money. Sotheby's, Bond Street. Ma 23-24: Farnham Antiques Fair, Church House Farnham, Surrey (0452 862557). Mar 23-5: Wilton House Antiques Fair (0722 743115). Mar 27: Scandinavian paintings, Sotheby's, New Bond Street. Mar 27: Sale of the Cockerell bindery. Phillips, St Ives, Cambs (0480 68144). Mar 28: Guns old and new at Chris-tie's, South Kensington, Old Brompton Road, SW7. Mar 29: Scandinavian pictures. Christie's, King Street. Mar 29 (2pm): Scientific instruments, Christie's, South Kensington. Mar 29-30: Spring Antiques & Books Fair, Newton Abbott Racecourse, Devon (0364 52182). Mar 29: Paintings from Herkomer. Bonhams, Mont-pelier Street. Mar 29-Apr 4; British International Antiques Fair, NEC, Birmingham (01-780 4141). Mar 30: 19th century sculpture. Sotheby's, Bond Street. Mar 30: Furniture and works of art sale. Puritaire and works of art sale. Prillips, George Street, Edinburgh (031 225 2266). Mar 30 (2pm): Pens sale. Bonhams, Lots Road, SW10 (01-351 7111). Apr 2-3: The Little Chelsea Fair, Old Town Hall, SW3 (01-727 5045). Apr 3 (7pm): Impressionist sale. Sotheby's, Bond Street. Apr 4, 6pm: Impressio sale, Phillips, Bond Street.

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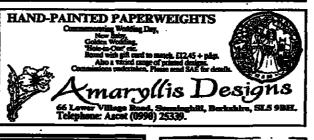
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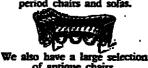
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MEDIA & MARKETING

Two cheers for the licence fee

Brian Wenham

The other day Paul Johnson welcomed the promised ending of the licence fee on the grounds that it would place broadcasting on the same footing as print, fighting every inch of the way for its commercial life. It seems a beguiling prospect, shimmering in a haze of apparent fairness. Why should broadcasters continue to have special funding privileges?

Of course, there are problems. The chief is that reliance solely on commercially raised monies, mostly advertising, would leave the broadcasting business short by a billion pounds or so of what it now spends. The Peacock committee concluded that advertising is not in-finitely extendable, and settled therefore for the most modest of extensions into the BBC: on a split vote, it plumped for advertising on Radios 1 and 2, but not for the more expensive radio, nor for elevision. The recommendation had the

ring of gesture.
Hard hats would no doubt tell broadcasters that they must find postlicence-fee financial strapping through

does print. The established mechanism in print is the rect charge that can, if necessary, rise or fall to compensate for

thinner funding from elsewhere. So, for example, a magazine such as The Speciator can persist on a modest circulation by charging a sizeable cover price from willing subscribers, of whom I am one. It is a neat and flexible mechanism, but it does not easily find its equivalent in broadcasting. True, the emerging satellite channels are now charging a subscription cover price for their movie channels, as it were, instead of payment at the box office. Similar pricing is tried elsewhere for sport, this time instead of the ticket at the gate. But try extending this principle into the mixed and generalized channels of conventional television and radio, and you encounter a run of improbabilities.

The subscription notion operates best where the signal can be impeded, so that non-subscribers are cut off. This can work for television, but not sensibly for radio. Then, where channels are mixed and general, you discover different appetites finding differing satisfactions throughout a day's listening or viewing. Under the existing payments system, the precise disposition of these satisfactions carries no daily payment implication: we retain an ability to switch to and fro without incurring special financial pen-alty. A fully-fiedged metered-out system would have to carry special charges for those switching in and out of the subscription mix, no doubt in the process deterring them. But turning viewers and listeners away from what they enjoy would be a perverse outcome to an exercise intended to bring money and customers in, through a more elegant and presumably fairer equivalent of cover price.

Yet this difficulty in getting broadcasting to behave in its internal pricing arrangements as does print in no way illegitimatizes broadcasting. Scratch the surface of the present crude and rounded-up subscription mechanism we call the licence fee, and you discover startling operational efficiencies. Even after the next inflation-linked licence increase, a calculation between monies naid and viewing and listening enjoyed tells you that the itemized if hidden charge works out at less than 3p per hour

Yet for all its demonstrable modesty and blunt efficiency, the licence fee

cannot escape the talent of arbitrary imposition. It is hard to find a politician anywhere who will give fullthroated support. Indeed, there is ev-

ery likelihood that our political and commentating classes will talk themselves and us out of the licence-fee system before the century ends. The governing party is already pointed firmly in that direction.

But, as with abolition of the rates, the end position is that if the monies are not raised somehow, the enterprise fails, and there is no sign that the public would

o how do tomorrow's politicians propose to call up the monies that equate to broadcasting's missing cover price? The Treasury could pick up the tab, but is unlikely to want to. Alternatively, the licence charge could be radically re-designed, on Peacockian lines, to dispense support through a Public Service Broadcasting Council to those parts of the broadcasting arena that advertising, subscription or sponsors could not reach.

Such a development would end the BBC's special status and, too, the occasional odium involved, but at the price of setting up an Orwellian quango with powers of intervention across all broadcasting outlets. Libertarians might well look on such a prospect with alarm, and should even now pause before the

Western agencies are getting ready to invade Eastern Europe. Geraldine Bedell reports

ast week the world's largest print medium became available to advertisers.

Argumenty i Fakty (arguments and facts), which claims a readership of half the adult population of the USSR, announced that it would take half a page per weekly issue of advertising Space, its west-ern agents added apologetically, is limited because of paper shortages.

Hours later, Business Week, the American news and business monthly published by McGraw Hill, announced that it is to pilot a Russian-language edition for sale in the USSR in May, for a September launch. It will have an initial circulation of 50,000, and take advertising, paid for in US dollars, at similar rates (\$9,000 for a colour page) and with a similar cost per thousand to its

European edition. These moves reflect great excitement among advertisers and agencies about the potential of the new, freer markets of Eastern Europe. Young and Rubicam, the first international advertising agency with permanent western staff in Moscow, points out that the Soviet Union covers one sixth of the world's surface, 11 time zones, and more than 280 million people in 15 republics.

Argumenty i Fakty has 33 million loyal subscribers, and a 15,000-letter postbag a week. Mr Vladislav Starkov, its liberal editor, attributes his success in Sunday's Soviet elections, at least in part, to the support of its readers. At the end of last year he was almost dismissed by the Polit-buro for criticising Mr Mikhail

Advertising rates are not yet confirmed, but are likely to be around £6,500 for a black-and-white half page, says its UK agent, Mr Stuart Christie. "Clearly it is in no one's interest to advertise commodities that are not widely available," he says. "But for companies wishing to 'brand' or provide information about products or services which are as yet unknown in the USSR, this is an important opportunity.

This vast market brings problems as much as opportunities. The Soviet Union comprises 120 distinct languages and cultures. But there has been almost no market research into what people want; distribution systems are dismal; there is still a shortage of media of the right kind; and what there is is expensive.

Mr Gerry Burandt, a former Young and Rubicam worldwide accoundirector in New York, is now chief executive of Young and RubicamSovero, Y & R's 50-50 Soviet joint venture with what was formerly the Soviet Union's sole communications agency for domestic exports and foreign imports. "At the moment there is certainly no need to stimulate sales," he says.

Products disappear as fast as they are put on the shelves (there are still

Russia's ad revolution



An editor's envy: Vladislav Starkov can boast 33 million loyal subscribers business methods (hence Business

three-hour queues outside Mo-Donald's in Pushkin Square). And Soviet consumers mistrust advertising, because historically it has been used only to shift sub-standard wares.

Y & R/Sovero is preparing the ground for the day when product availability and distribution systems allow consumer advertising to come into its own, perhaps in five to 10 years. "We are about to hire the first market research director a Soviet agency has ever had, a sociological and political researcher, whom we have taught the techniques of product research," Mr Burandt says.

It is also encouraging the growth of media (television advertising is curlimited to 45 minutes a month), for example by co-producing a television business show. Russians are eager to learn about western

Week's move), which offers scope to provide at once education and a medium for western companies' corporate campaigns and early branding

Y & R is also in preliminary discussions about a youth rock-and-roll radio station: "We have clients like Coke and Adidas, and at the moment they have nowhere to reach young people other than the young Komsomol magazine — hardly a bundle of laughs," Mr Burandt says. But the chief impediment to

advertising is less lack of media than lack of product. Mr Richard McGowan, of Y & R in London, says most multinationals intend eventually to manufacture in the Soviet Union. Its clients in the Soviet Union include Johnson & Johnson.

Heinz, Du Poot, General Electric and Chevron. But it is a long hault in produce its burgers, McDonald's had to buy farms and cattle, impose unheard-of quality control procedures and teach staff to be polite.

Mr Alexander Brody, world chief executive of Ogilvy & Mather, which has an agency in Moscow, says the main task at present is to provide marketing services. "We are devising strategies for products ready for when they can be launched. What we are seeing at the moment is a loosening of the strings, but it is not clear how fast it will bappen It is not particularly in Gorbachov's interests to have a heated-up consumer market, with demands for products that may not be available, pushing up prices."

Ogilvy & Mather and Y & R also have agency interests in Hungary, where consumers are already used to advertising that is more than producing brochures and running trade fairs. Ogilvy & Mather has started a new joint venture with Mahir, Hungary's largest agency, and handles local clients (Centrum department store, Posta Bank) and multinationals (Philips and Shell)

Young & Rubicam Hungary (Y & R bought a 50 per cent stake in Hungary's second-largest agency, pre-viously called Skala Reklam Studio), produces 100 television commercials a year and employs 80 people. But if this suggests a western-style agency, it is misleading: there are only two telephone lines into the agency, and the fax is on one of them.

hings have a long way to go. Until recently, Y & R had a guard on its Moscow photocopier, although he has now been removed. But as Mr Hans Lange, European vice-chairman of Ogilvy & Mather has pointed out perestroika may not have delivered a higher standard of living, but it has given Soviet people great hope of one, and that Mr Gorbachov is one of the world's greatest communications

Czechosiovakia is generally reckoned to be the next market for western agencies - an industrialized country which seems to be steering clear of nationalism and is apparently firmly behind an effective leader.

The problems in Eastern Europe are clearly immense, but so are the opportunities. Both Y & R and Ogilvy & Mather report that their feepaying work in the Soviet Union is likely to pay off in the first year although where they are paid in

roubles, they can't take them out. "I have been in this business many years, and bought and sold companies all over the world," Mr Bredy says. "I would have been extremely surprised if you had told me a couple of years ago that the two I would break even with, or make a profit on in the first year, would be Hungary and the USSR."



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The co-operation between the Daily Mirror and TV's Cook Report could set

a journalistic trend. Alan Franks reports

watchers, the spectacle of Central Television's Cook Report broadcasting its allegations against Arthur Scargill on Monday, the same day that the Daily Mirror carried the story on its front page, looked like something more than a coincidence.

lim Bedelling.

It was, in fact, an act of complicity born of pragmatism, with its origins running back to the autumn of last year, when the programme and the newspaper, each pursuing their own lines of inquiry, kept running into one another's evidence. A formight ago, when it was clear that the two teams had unearthed material that appeared to corroborate and com-plement each other, Central and the Mirror, under Roy Greenslade, its new editor, agreed to synchronize

Although an unexpected pair of bedfellows, thrown together more by chance than design, both camps now agree that the success of their operation could well become a precedent for similar joint ventures in a costly and time-consuming area of investigative documentary.
Without that complicity, the

whole thing could have ended as it had begun — a classic blind race between two utterly different competitors. On the one hand. Terry Pattinson, a tabloid veteran of the industrial scene, leaning so long and hard on interviewees' tables that his elbows began to bleed, and on the other a presenter made so public by television that even his presence in a small town square gives the locals a sense of impending scandal. The chase may have ended in a supervised dead heat, but not without a few red herrings carefully laid to nobble the

In terms of Monday's disclosures, the old pencil Press had been faster off the mark, and better versed in the backwoods of union politics. Pattinson started in earnest last July 31, when he spoke to Roger Windsor, the former chief executive of the National Union of Mineworkers, who subsequently alleged that part of a £163,000 payment from Libya during the 1984-85 pit strike had been used by Mr Scargill, the president, and Peter Heathfield, the general secretary, to repay loans on their homes. Both men have strongly denied the

pieced together the basis of the paper's Monday report on the circumstances of the alleged Libyan connection. But it still had to be thoroughly checked.

Meanwhile, up in Birmingham, Central was putting out some early feelers for a "miners five years on" programme. There was no hint of the Windsor allegations, nor even that the material was going to form the basis of a Roger Cook presentation. But as the weeks passed, and producer Clive Entwhistle and researcher Bryan Carter probed further, a number of hints and suggestions came their way from miners who had been involved in the bitter year-long stoppage, but were reluctant to talk.

"They were not hints or suggestions that could be proven," Entwhistle says. "That was the terribly frostrating thing. There was a certain amount of talk about money that had come from Russia, and a lot of people said they could not understand exactly what had happened to that money. We knew very well that there had been Russian miners' union officials coming over to this country and asking their counterparts in the NUM, particularly in south Wales, what had happened also that British officials had in turn been over to Russia.

At this point, some time in October, with what we had been told on the one hand, and with Arthur Scargill having said that no money had come from Russia on the other, it was clear that there was a conflict emerging." As if to add an extra layer of competition, Entwhistle had himself once interviewed Colonel Gaddafi of Libya for the Mirror.

In late September Entwhistle told Pattinson that he had also stumbled on the alleged Libyan link. "He told me that everywhere he went the people he spoke to told him that they had already talked to me. He tried every trick in the book to make me talk. He's a very clever man. I gave him two or three red herrings not lies, but leads which sent him

the wrong way. Then, very brilliantly, he went back through all the press cuttings and all the footage, and he deduced that Libya had to be the story. I said to him: 'Well, if you think that's the big one, I should go for it.' He then



Television teamworkers: (from left) Bryan Carter, Roger Cook and Mike Townson, editor of the Cook Report

Abbasi [the Doncaster shopkeeper who Mr Windsor claims was the middleman through whom the Libyan money was channelled], and that it might be a good idea if we could now start to think in terms of

f Pattinson and his three

colleagues who were assigned to the story - reporters Frank Thorne and Ted Oliver and Phil Spencer, a Manchesterbased photographer - had hitherto been ahead in pursuit of the alleged Libyan link, Central then took the lead in the supposed Russian connection. "Clive's great coup was to get the programme a lead into Moscow," Pattinson says. "He managed to use a relative of Gorbachov. The link was something that I had been trying to confirm since 1988, when a delegation of Russian miners came to the NUM conference at Great Yarmouth, and I had heard from a member of the union's executive that the Russians were unhappy that our miners had apparently not received any of the money in the

Pattinson approached Richard Stott, the Mirror's then editor, to inform him of the "minor problem" of what Central knew, and the two organizations agreed to pool their information. Crucially for Central, this meant that they now had access to Mr Windsor, one of the key witnesses, whose "exclusivity" had

sides agree that once the principle of pooling had been agreed, there was no witholding of information. "We both emptied all the contents of our cupboards on to the common floor, so to speak," Entwhistle says. "There were vari-ous points throughout this saga when we could each have screwed it up for the other. We could probably have broadcast earlier than we did, and no doubt they could likewise

been secured by the paper. Both

have published earlier than they did. As it turned out, we both needed the information that each other had, and were extremely grateful to get it." Pattinson agrees that such co-operations could indeed be the way ahead, even though he sees that the trophy of exclusivity, scarcely less coveted among television journalists than by their brothers in the Press, could be compromised.

But whatever the long-term effects, the short-term ones have been pronounced. The Mirror has enough material to run every day for the next fortnight, and The Cook Report is "actively considering" a further programme next week.

"The phones have been running hot all morning," Cook says. "There have been dozens of calls. I cannot tell you what they said, but there were some who were initially reluctant to talk but who, having seen the programme, are saying 'I've wanted to say that all along'. In fact, at least one of them wants the chance to appear if we do decide to

Last week on this page Charles Wintour remarked that it is still the Press which takes the lead in setting the agenda for news. This week provided a notable instance of a dead heat, even if there are Fleet Street chauvinists about who will claim a technical victory by about

the Sabbath?

The taking of a stake in the Sunday Correspondent leads to speculation

The group which owns The Guardian is making its first foray into Sunday newspapers by taking a stake in the six-month-old Sunday Correspondent. It is part of a £10 million fundraising exercise, announced yesterday, to ensure the future of Britain's second-newest weekly broadsheet.
Although the the circulation

of the Correspondent is, at 220,000, well below its firstyear target figure of 362,000, the management of the paper yesterday denied that the £10 million is a cash injection without which it might have faced the prospect of closure. Nick Shott, the Correspon-

dent's chief executive, said that this extra capital, added to the initial £18 million raised for the business, repre-

sented a major co The group has fidence which not ruled out would give the organization the possibility the opportunity of a Sunday to compete on equal terms Guardian other competitors.

Guardian and Manchester Evening Publishing plc, the Correspon-News (GMEN) becomes the second biggest shareholder in the newspaper, with 16.6 per cent, while the Tribune Company of Chicago is increasing its holding to 17.7 per cent.

The Guardian's parent group already owns a number of UK regional newspaper and magazine titles. It has also recently acquired the com-pany Broadcast Communications, which televises the proceedings in Parliament and has bought a stake in the Spanish newspaper El Mundo. Both The Guardian and the Correspondent yesterday denied that this latest move heralded a Guardian on Sunday style of newspaper.

Jim Markwick, managing director of The Guardian and a director of GMEN, said: "It is no secret that the group has a long-expressed interest in developing a role in the Sun-day market, and in the past has not ruled out the possibil-

ian. We have also said that if ever the Observer were to come up for sale, we would be interested."

He denied that the Correspondent had been on the brink of collapse, and stressed that the raising of fresh capital was a means of providing the newspaper with a more solid financial base. "Nothing I can say or do will prevent predictions being made about a Guardian on Sunday," he added. "I cannot prove that such predictions are wrong, except by not doing it. What GMEN has done is to make a small but significant invest-ment in the Sunday market; this makes our group and The Guardian a player where it was not a player before. It also

follows an investment by a large American company with whom we feel

The other original investors are also being invited to inject fresh canital into Sunday Newspaper

through a fully underwritten issue of new shares. Prudential and Globe Investment Trust plc is among those which have already agreed to take part. In addition to these new shareholder funds, the company is now negotiating new loan finance arrangements which are expected to raise another

£3 million. "We had always planned to go out and get more money," said Mr Shott. "And if you are going to get more money, then you may as well get a lot of it. But it is important to remember that we did not go to GMEN. They came to us before Christmas, and said they recognized that our business plan did not assume the launch of the Independent on Sunday. We had always said we would wait until March or April to evaluate our need for

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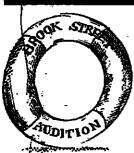
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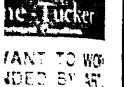
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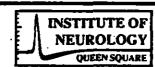
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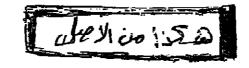
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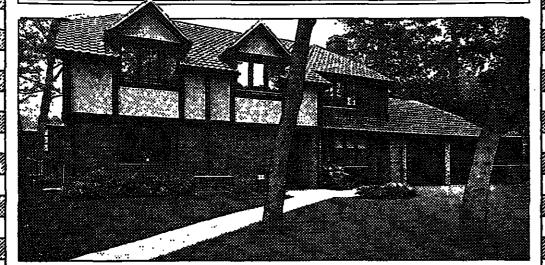
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Inducement schemes are a success, say leading developers

Wooing the wary buyer

and agents that "now is the time to buy" is falling on increasingly frustrated ears as potential buyers see mortgage interest rates still rising, putting their hopes for a new home out of reach.

Imaginative schemes such as the 50-50 purchase offered by Fairclough Homes and Regulian, paying half now and half in five years' time, have proved successful, and most, if not all, new developments offer a discount of some sort, be it a reduced price or

a subsidized mortgage.

But selling new property at a time when there is a wide choice remains hard going for developers.

CPK, the residential arm of
Merivale Moore, has introduced
an unusual inducement at its
Wash House scheme, near Wandsworth Common, south London, offering to take in part exchange any property worth not more than half of the asking price of the properties there, and to consider any property worth more than that. Not only does this mean that bover a world the trauma of trains buvers avoid the trauma of trying to sell their present homes, but they pay stamp duty only on the

Wash House, built in 1911 as a laundry, is a Grade II listed building and will be converted into 20 flats. Adjoining it, CPK has built 19 three and four-bedroom town became There are bedroom town houses. They are attractively designed, with a flexibility which allows the third bedroom to be divided into two. Each has its own garden and integral garage. Entry to the development is through electroni-

It is highly unlikely anyone will be able to sell anything unless the price reflects demand'

cally controlled gates. Prices for the houses, available through Far-rar Stead & Glyn and George Stead, start at £225,000.

A short distance away, in Orville Road, Battersea, St James Estates has completed a group of 10 terraced houses, with four flats, intriguingly designed in two-tone brickwork, with arches over the

bedrooms, garage and garden. Some have a conservatory.

Aylesford & Co, which is selling the development, (the flats and show house have been sold), believes that basic value is the key to selling, Andrew Langton, of Aylesford, questions the value of inducements, saying: "More than 70 per cent of purchasers are more concerned with the cost of the mortgage and it is highly unlikely myone will be able to sell any-

thing unless the price reflects the current market demand."

He believes that the prices for the Battersea houses, £199,000-£232,500, represents that value. Berkeley Homes (North London) is building a block of flats at Stanmore Hill, north London, which promises to be special (it has sold a penthouse flat there for more than £600,000 before a brick has been laid). The Wellington House development will be surrounded by a Grade II listed brick

wall, 10ft high with pilastered buttesses, daring from the late 18th or early 19th century.

The Georgian-style block will be octagonal, with two bays at the front and porticoed doors at the



Above: The St James Estates development in Battersea, comprises 10 terraced bouses, with four flats. Prices range from £199,000-£232,500 Right: Wellington House, at Stanmore Hill, north

London, by Berkeley Homes, comprises eight two-bedroom flats and two three-bedroom penthonses. Prices range from £335,000 to £635,000.

back leading to landscaped gardens. A veranda runs round the ground floor and the flats have doors leading from the reception room to balustraded terraces.

On three floors with a mansard roof, the block will contain eight two-bedroom flats and two threebedroom penthouses, varying in size from 1,200-1,850 square feet, with one large reception/dining-room, 37ft long in the penthouses.



Prices, through Preston Druce re, range from £335,000

to £635,000. Itchen Grange, in the grounds of Bishopstoke Manor, Eastleigh, Hampshire, is a scheme on similar lines: a new apartment block by Melly (Southampton Ltd), designed as a Regency country house, with 18 flats. Each has a

living-room and two bedrooms.

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Prices, through Fox & Sons' Southampton office, range from £81,950 to £118,000.

The incorporation of existing buildings into new schemes is an increasing trend, an example of which is Hunting Gate Homes' development at Maltings Park, on the site of the old Truman brewery

at West Bergholt in Essex. The Truman building, a village land-mark, will be converted into apartments, and Hunting Gate is erecting several one, two and three bedroom cottage and mews-style homes in courtyard clusters. Prices, through Penn Wright Spurlings of Colchester, are £73,950-£99,950. A mortgage subsidy scheme fixes the rate at 9.75

per cent for two years.

St George, a London-based developer, has brought forward the first phase of its scheme at Reigate, Surrey. The £4 million development will comprise 15 four and five-bedroom detached houses, in a landscaped setting just off Reigate Hill. Each house is different in design, and all have planning permission for a conservatory to the buyers' choice. There is a wide range of fittings and features to enable the buyer to "personalize" each house. Prices are £245,500-£349,000. (Details, 01-755 4000).

The Crown Green development Egerton Homes between Pangbourne and Purley on Thames, Berkshire, has its own special feature. Martin Jones, managing director, says: "We have one of the county's finest bowling greens on the site, and purchasers will be offered preferential membership of the club."

Nigel Clark Associates has designed the houses in traditional "Berkshire" style, with a mix of red-brown tile hanging, render and boarding. Most of the 39 detached houses of four and five bedrooms have a study, and some have a Victorian style conservatory, an increasingly popular feature in new homes. Prices, through Mann & Co, Reading, range from £210,000 to £295,000. A partexchange scheme, or mortgage assistance for two years,

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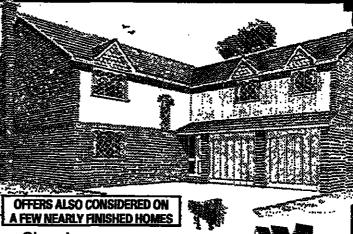
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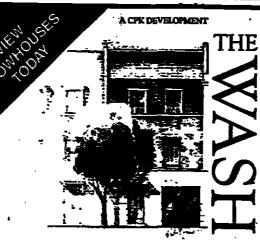
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Businessmen from the United States and Japan will be joining Europeans at Cannes. Among the British exhibitors are Rosehaugh, Imry Merchant, Ernst & Young, Randsworth and Waterglade.

The market comes at a time when the property business is poised to break traditional barriers. Changing market conditions and Gross Domestic Product growth scheduled to fall to 1.9 per cent in 1990 are encouraging developers to broaden their

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Kevin McGovern, who is responsible for Rosehaugh's activities in Europe as well as its largest city schemes, said that MIPIM would provide an opportunity to create an international property showcase, and at the same time consider such issues as international regulations, finance and planning and the environment.

The two main themes will be the

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looks towards an

open Europe and the East for expansion

and cross-country market conditions. It is generally expected that the unification of the European market will result in deregulation, with the subsequent accessibility leading to increased competition.
France and Spain are being seen as particularly ripe for development, and French firms appear to be well-prepared and enthusiastic about the

Eugene Bannon, partner in the management consultants and accountants Ernst & Young, argues that there is still work to be done. "The differences between member states in laws relating to tenure forms and contracts can only be addressed by legislation, but success depends on the willingness of member states to accept directives from Brassels.*

single market.

The European Commission was discussing a standard form of contract, but such a form would have to be very flexible to cover different contracting approaches, legal concepts, and would have to be equally valid in civil and common law.

British industry has been slow to appreciate the full potential of the single market and to prepare for the opportunities it can provide. At present, says Mr Bannon, the top 20 British property companies have only 3 per cent of their total holdings in Europe, but he detects a new mood towards Europe, with a number of big companies amouncing their intention to invest on the

Looking at a European market worth an estimated £260 billion, he highlights the difference in approach by the British and French. The British have been made aware of the impact only over the past year," he says.
"They have had little time to

repare for 1992, and consequently just 15 per cent have any sort of plans. Their French counterparts have been aware of the significance of the single market for the last three years, so 50 per cent of them have developed plans."

t is no longer only western Europe which is the focus of attention. MIPIM say that with the reform process advancing at speed, international property eyes are begin-ning to turn towards eastern

The region's economic co-operation zone, known as Comecon, has a population of 390 million, compared with 320 million in the EC.

This has led to nearly 1,000 joint ventures in the past year as the East provides the land, equipment and sometimes the labour, while the West brings in the know-how.

Leading the field are the West Germans with 300 projects, the Italians with 150 and French with



Speyhawk's riverside office development (pictured), forming part of the redevelopment of Old Isleworth, has attracted two new lettings. The Lion Court development, financed by PosTel Property Services, has brought in Mowlem, which has taken a 25-year lease on the 14,760 sq ft first floor and a further 11,300 sq ft on the

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Regina v Brent London Borough Council, Ex parte Dorot shown to the satisfaction of a

Re Christopher W

Before Lord Justice Slade, Lord Justice Parker and Lord Justice Glidewell [Judgment March 6]

A decision of Brent Borough Council to refuse a refund of rates for the first three months that property had not been occupied had been flawed in that it had apparently failed to take account of the Chetnik principle ([1987] 1 WLR 593) that the purpose of section 9 of the General Rate Act 1967 was to enable a rating authority to remedy the injustice which prima facie would ordinarily arise if a rating authority re-tained sums paid in rates by persons who were not liable to pay them.

In failing to bear that principle in mind it had omitted to give consideration to one highly ificant factor and the decision was, accordingly, flawed and invalid for that reason, if no

However, although it was recognized that where an ap-plicant for judicial review of the decision of a governmental body had demonstrated that the decision was invalid the court should be slow to withhold its assistance, on the particular facts of the instant case, the court would not exercise its discretion in favour of the

The Court of Appeal so held in a reserved judgment dismiss-ing an appeal against the refusal by Mr Justice Otton on Novemby Nr Justice Ofton on November 18, 1988 of the application by Dorot Properties Ltd for judicial review of a decision of the London Borough of Brent on July 15, 1987 that a proportion of the return paid by Dorot in of the rates paid by Dorot in respect of a period from October 28, 1982 to March 8, 1983

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Revisions to the Guide to

Commercial Court Practice (Appendix A to Order 72 of the

were announced by Lord Lane, Lord Chief Justice, sitting in the

Mr Justice Kennedy on March

The LORD CHIEF JUSTICE

1 This Practice Direction (Commercial Court: Revised

Practice) would come into force

with effect from March 19.

2 The first edition of the Guide

to Commercial Court Practice was published in 1986. With the

approval of the judges of the Commercial Court a revised

edition had been prepared and adopted by the Commercial Court Committee.

Queen's Bench Divisional
Court with Mr Justice Hirst and

rating authority that any amount paid in respect of rates, and not recoverable apart from this section, could properly be refunded on the ground that — ... (d) the hereditament was unoccupied during any period
... the rating authority may
refund that amount or a part
thereof."

The state of the s

Mr Selwyn Bloch for the applicants; Mr Gavin Miller for

LORD JUSTICE SLADE said that Dorot owned the freehold of flats in Chichele Road, Cricklewood, which were unoccupied from October 28, 1982 to March 8, 1983.

Under the provisions of the 1967 Act property subject to rates was not liable to be rated for the first three months of any period when unoccupied.

However, as Dorot were in rateable occupation of the flats at the beginning of the rateable year on April 1, 1982 they were initially liable to pay the whole of the amount chargeable in respect of them even though they became unoccupied on October 28, 1982. Those rates were not paid.

On Contember 18, 1985, the However, as Dorot were in

On September 18, 1985 the council issued a petition for the compulsory winding up of Dorot based on an alleged indebtness of £1,905.29.

Following that, Dorot's solicrotationing that, Dorot's some-itors had written to the council disputing the alleged indebtuess and claiming, inter alia, that Dorot were entitled to the appropriate empty property re-lief in respect of each of the flats for a period of three months.

Dorot had left it too late to make an application for re-mission under section 6 of the Act as that applied only to the current or last preceding rate current or last preceding rate period and thereafter the only available route whereby they could achieve a remission of the

out in the revised edition of the Guide should now be followed,

subject to the Rules of the Supreme Court and any orders that might be made in individ-ual cases. The forms appended

to the Guide might be revised by the court from time to time. 3 Summous for Directions

As more fully set out in section XII of the Guide, for the

court to be able to give satisfac-

tory directions for the trial of an

action it was necessary that the parties fulfilled their duty under Order 25, rule 6 of the Rules of

the Supreme Court to give the relevant information to the

In order to assist parties to identify the information which

the court required and to give it in an economical and efficient

fashion, the parties would be required to give the information

on a sheet in the form set out in

Appendix IV to the Guide.

Revisions to Commercial Court Guide

the rate demanded and then to seek a refund under section 9. On October 3, 1986, after

protracted correspondence, Dorot, finally paid the sum demanded of £1,905.29 and when doing so made a formal application for a refund under section 9 of the Act.

sing that application on July 15, 1987 the council gave no reasons for its decision. In his Lordship's judgment it was under no duty to do so, either at

the time or afterwards.
However, the only relevant statement concerning the statutory background in the report before the committee had been that section 9(1) of the 1967 Act "allows a rating authority to refund all or part of any amount paid while the hereditament was unoccupied during any period". No mention was apparently

No mention was apparently made of the decision of the Court of Appeal in R v Tower Hamlets London Borough Council, Ex parte Chetnik Developments Ltd ([1987] 1 WLR 593) delivered on February 13, 1987, and subsequently upheld by the House of Lords ([1988] AC 858), which, it was fair to assume, might have caused a few rating might have caused a few rating authorities to reconsider their attitude to applications under

It did not follow, however, that because the decision of the council had been invalid because of their failure to have regard to the Chetnik principle that Dorot were entitled to have relief from the court.

The remedies of declaration, certiorari and mandamus were certiorari and mandamus were discretionary remedies which the court, in the proper exercise

It had been submitted to the court by Mr Millar that whether or not the decision had been flawed, this was not a case for

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In addition to other factors he raised another important relevant consideration. That consideration was the question of interest.

That did not appear to have featured in the deliberations of the committee or in argument in the court below. Perhaps that was because rating authorities had no power to demand interest on unpaid rates until after

In all the circumstances his Lordship considered that the judge below had been fully justified in describing Dorot as a Happe, from the decision of Judge Bates sitting in Bourno-mouth County Court on August 17, 1989. The judge had dismissed the husband's appeal from Mr Deputy Registrar Weintroub who had ordered the bushend to tax a hump sum of bed ratepayer who had not performed their statutory obligations to pay rates on demand and had deliberately withheld amounts of rates in excess of £1,200 for which there had been no legal excuse or

Furthermore, on the particu Furnismore, on the particular facts of the case, it could not fairly be said that the council would be unjustly enriched if it retained the whole of the £1,905 paid to it so belatedly in October 1986; the £630 of which repayment had been sought would represent no more than fair compensation for its loss of interest on the sums which ought to have been paid to it my years previously.

In short, in his Lordship's in short, in his Lordship's judgment, Dorot's application for a refund, properly presented for the first time on October 3, 1986 was, in all the circumstances, wholly without merit, both because of their past conduct and because the payment of £1,905 ultimately made involved no unjust enrichment involved no unjust enrichment of the council.

His Lordship would accord ingly dismiss the appeal. Lord Justice Parker and Lord

stice Glidewell gave concurring judgments. Solicitors: Wallace & Part-

formal hearing of the summons

for third-party directions. But an information sheet had

to be completed and lodged for the hearing on which full third-

party directions were to be given; that hearing should if

possible take place at the same

time as the hearing of the summons for directions in the

main issue.

4 After a date for trial had been

given by the listing officer, any summons, application or notice should prominently state the trial date on the face of the document above or below the

Costs were too often wasted

because solicitors did not com-

ply with the direction to lodge

those lists; solicitors had to

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be excused lodging check lists they had to obtain an express

title of the action.

order to that effect.

5 Pre-trial Check Lists

Happe v Happe Before Lord Justice Purchas, Lord Justice Beldam and Sir person in respect of his or any other person's service in Her Majesty's military forces shall

(2) Save as expressly provided by this Act, no order shall be made by any court the effect of which would be to restrain any person from receiving any-thing which by virtue of this section he is precluded from assigning and to direct payment thereof to another person.

Mr Peter Duckworth for the husband; Mr Giles Harrap for

LORD JUSTICE PURCHAS said that Mr Duckworth submit-ted that the order made by the registrar and confirmed by the judge was in direct breach of section 203 since the lump sunt award was an order made by the court the effect of which would be to restrain the husband from receiving part of his gratuity. He relied on Ranson v Ranson ([1988] 1 WLR 183).

The lump sum awarded repre-sented half of the gratuity paid to the husband when he retired Ranson concerned an applica-tion in proceedings for ancillary relief to divorce proceedings by from the army. The marriage was dissolved by decree ab-solute on January 14, 1986. Section 203 of the 1981 Act the wife of a husband in the Royal Air Force whose service was unlikely to end for another seven years.

seven years.

The registrar had there ordered, inter alia, that the husband should pay the wife a lump sum equal to 20 per cent of "(1) Every assignment of ur charge on, and every agreement to assign or charge, any pay, military award, grant, pension or allowance payable to any

On appeal the judge ordered

that that part of the registrar's order should be struck out since it contravened section 203(2) of the Royal Air Force Act 1955 (equivalent to section 203(2) of the Army Act 1955). On the wife's appeal the Court of Appeal had held that the judge Was COTTECL.

His Lordship's conclusion was that the present case was distinguishable from Ranson and the other cases referred to

with an order of the court which prevented or had the effect of preventing the receipt at some stage in the future by the pensioner of his gratuity or other payments which would fall under the provisions of

section 203(1).

In his Lordship's judgment, section 203(1) was plain as to its meaning and did not require any purposive construction or other gloss to make it intelligible.

The purpose of the section was to inhibit the court from making any order which would prevent the receipt by the pensioner of any pension or gratuity to which he would be entitled in the future.

once the pensioner had safely received the sum of money to

Court of Appeal

pension arrangements to which the section was directed. Section 203(1) was concerned with preventing the pensioner from charging or assigning any sum of money which was due to him as a result of his service before he ever had the chance of

enjoying the benefit of it. The two subsections of section 203 dealt with quite difent problems and did not have any direct bearing upon each other, other than to define the sort of orders in respect of which the powers of the court were to be inhibited under

Thus, for the purposes of the powers of the court under ction 23 of the Matrix Causes Act 1973 in relation to he distribution of fa by way of making a lump sum provision, subject to the pro-visions of section 25, those were in no way affected by the provisions of section 203 of the Army Act 1955 or the equiva-lent sections in the other Royal

Lord Justice Beldam and Sir Roger Ormrod agreed. Solicitors: Campbell Hooper, Camberley; Richards & Mor-

Home risk warning in loans advertising lawful ensuring that, having regard to section 44(1), it was also well power to require an explanation

Regina v Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, Ex parte First National Bank plc Before Lord Justice Dillon, Lord Justice Balcombe and

(1) Every assignment of or

Lord Justice Beldam [Judgment March 2]

The requirement in regulations made by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry that advertisements offering loans secured by a mortgage or charge on the debtor's home were to contain the warning: "Your home is at risk if you do not keep up repayments on a mort-gage or other loan secured on it." was not ultra vires the it", was not ultra vires the enabling Act and was not

The Court of Appeal so held issing an appeal by First National Bank plc from the dismissal by the Queen's Bench Divisional Court (Lord Justice Mann and Mr Justice Rose) (The Times December 13, 1989) of the bank's application for a declaration that the relevant provisions were ultra vires.

The requirement is made, in relation to full and intermediate credit advertisements in the Consumer Credit (Advertise-ments) Regulations (SI 1989 No 1125) which were made under section 44 of the Consumer

Credit Act 1974. Section 44 provides: "(1) The secretary of state shall make regulations as to the form and content of advertisements to which this Part applies, and the regulations shall contain such provisions as appear to him

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its subject matter and the amount of detail included in it, an advertisement conveys a fair and reasonably comprehensive indication of the nature of the credit or hire facilities offered by the education and of their true. the advertiser and of their true cost to persons using them. . .".

Mr Michael Beloff, QC and Mr Frederick Philpott for the bank; Mr William Charles for the secretary of state. LORD JUSTICE DILLON said that he adopted as his own the clear and thorough judg-ment of Mr Justice Rose who

gave the leading judgment in the Divisional Court. There was no dispute about the provision in the regulations that where security for a loan

was or might be required, that had to be stated.

of what was meant by a loan secured by a mortgage.

It did not inhibit the court in

A person seeing an advertise-ment in, for example, a local newspaper needed to know that if he defaulted in his repayments the property charged was liable to be taken from him and sold. That was an essential part of the nature of the credit facilities offered and was part of the true cost to persons using them.

Even if the parts of the 1989 Regulations complained of were not expressly provided for by section 44(1), they were reasonably necessary for the protection of consumers and were not in conflict with what the section did expressly require. The sec-

tion did not say "shall only

able and misleading as they implied that there was no such unsecured loan, and it was pointed out that a defaulting debtor under an nusecured loan could, by way of a charging order and subsequent order for sale, lose his property.

However, it was accepted that there was a more immediate risk in the case of a loan secured by a mortgage, and his Lordship saw no danger of people taking up unsecured loans at higher rates of interest simply by reason of there being a warning in the one there being a warning in t case but not in the other.

Lord Justice Balcombe delivered a concurring judgment and Lord Justice Beldam agreed.

Solicitors: Davis & Co, Har-

Bailee's duty to prevent damage by third party's act

Lockspeiser Aircraft Ltd v Breoklands Aircraft Co Ltd A bailee's duty to guard against possible loss included a duty to take reasonable care to prevent damage to the bailed property by the deliberate act of a third

Judge Hammerton, QC, sit-ting as a judge of the Queen's Bench Division, so held on February 12 in giving judgment for the plaintiff whose prototype

facturer's premises.

HIS LORDSHIP said the case

could not be compared with such authorities as King v Liverpool City Council ([1986] I WLR 890) and Smith v Linlewoods ([1987] I AC 241), where an occupier of land was sought to be made liable for damage to his neighbour's prop-erty as a result of his failure to

prevent squatters entering on his land and thereafter behaving so as to cause the neighbour

relationship of bailor and bailee and the damage was foreseeable in nature, if not in extent. The defendant had failed to take sufficient care to prevent unauthorized entry to the

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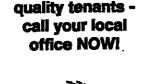
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Total (48.2 overs) _______ 221
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-8, 2-68, 3-68, 4-53, 5-122, 6-163, 7-173, 8-207, 9-219.

BOWLING: Hadee 9.2-27-2; Snedden 10-0-50-0 (w-3); Morrison 9-0-33-3 (w-1); Thomson 10-0-47-2 (w-3); Lersen 10-0-

"who had seen and done it all" would minimize the risk of

Intimidation, he contended.

Bedi is opposed to the campaign by the Pakistan captain, luran Khan, for a panel of

nestral unpires. "If you do have a panel, then most of them on it

will be English because they are thought to be the best in the

world," he said.

"M D Crows c More b Kapil Dev J J Crows c More b Hirwani......

M Propheter c. M D Crowe b Morrison
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S Tenduller c Smith b Thomson
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about giving away runs.

22 not out, average 4.50.

Zimbahwe have a second new Worcestershire, and is usually bowler had obscured his viball available against England almost immediately when the first international match renes here today after a rest day. The first 90 minutes play, therefore, could be crucial in settling the course of a match which, though marked by slow batting from both sides, has never lacked interest.

A great deal depends on the youthful Thorpe as to whether England can substantially increase their first-innings lead. England, who resume at 294 for five, only four runs ahead. need at least a further 100 to 150 runs if they are to reach a position from where they could force victory.

The Harare Sports Club pitch is not expected to deteriorate badly, but the bounce has already become slightly unpredictable, with the odd ball keeping low. England, faced with batting last, will certainly not wish to be left too many runs to make in the

Thorpe resumes batting this and Triacos appealed for leg morning with Rhodes, who before but John Hampshire.

wickets remaining. Hadlee hit eight off the first three balls but

Kapil Dev then won his confrontation with his fellow

all-rounder when he bowled Hadlee with the fifth delivery to

settle not only the game but also the destination of the man-of-the-match award.

India had been bowled out in the 49th and final over of their innings for 221. Prabhakar and

Manirekar provided a base by adding 58 for the second wicket

and although India were in some difficulty at 122 for five in

Tendulkar put on 41 for the sixth wicket in only seven overs.

There was some more good hitting from Kapil, who struck

Wellington (AFP) — Bishen Bedi, the Indian team unmager here, believes the recruitment of

former Test players could solve the unpiring problems which eften occur at international level. "If we could give them good enough incentives and woo them,

then I am sure tempiring would improve immensurably," he said. The use of former players

NETBALL

English game

reasserts

its domination

By Louise Taylor

England re-emphasized their

domination of the British game

by winning all four matches on

Events at the Ainsley Park Leisure Centre opened with a 39-19 English win over North-ern Ireland, continued with 45-

Morrison for a six ou was MC Sneomen and out 200 MC Sneomen and out

After the early loss of their acting captain, Martin Crowe, the New Zealand batsmen be-

came bogged down against some good bowling, until a partner-ship of 80 between Greatbatch (wt). Hereni 10-0-48-1; Sharma 9-0-35-0 (wt).

Bedi offers a solution

triangular one-day tour- reached 44 ent match at the Basin out at 174.

sion in his follow through more happy against seam bowling than spin. After that there remains Pringle, who is overdue for a long innings of this tour, before leglesden, straight away was that Thorpe by his own admission, believed he got a touch. Watkin and Afford form an A short-leg fieldsman apadmittedly weak tail.

nealed for a catch but this was again turned down. It was the Afford is one of those sort of incident which one way bowlers whose tally of wickets and another would have is always likely to exceed the caused uproar in a full-scale runs he can score. Bowes and Test match almost every-Hollies were examples of this where else in the world. breed in the past. Afford has played 54 matches, and has

Here, of course, there were no television slow-motion replays and the relationship between the two sides is such that these incidents pass with-

The credit for the absence of rancour on this tour must go on the one hand to David Houghton, the Zimbabwean captain, and to Zimbabwean cricket officials, and on the other to Mark Nicholas, the England captain, and Bob Bennett the team manager. Both sets of officials lean

over backwards to be beloful. of luck. He tried a leg-side bit So far all has gone smoothly.

Hat-trick Kapil wins a vital duel with Hadlee From Qamar Ahmed, Wellington, New Zealand

Overseas cricket

India beat New Zealand by one striking range. Greatbatch made run off the penultimate ball in 53 from 70 balls and Rutherford the triangular one-day tour reached 44 before he was fifth Delhi, the champions, will mee victory which keeps them in the running for a place in the finals. New Zealand began the last over needing ! I to win with two wickets remaining. Hadden his pair in his final over. Bengal in the five-day Ranji Trophy final at Eden Gardens. Calcutta, starting on March 23. Both sides won their semi-final matches on first innings, playing

second successive final, was tinged with controversy. Sara-dendu Mukherjee, aged 24, an off spinner making his first appearance in the competition, was discovered by the oppo-sition's captain and former Test off spinner, Shivlal Yadav, to have been bowling with skin-

After this was pointed out to the umpires, Mukherjee removed the plaster and sub-sequently found difficulty gripping the ball — but by then he had made his mark on the match by claiming a hat-trick. He finished with five for 132. Hyderabad slipped to 272 for eight and, though Yadav scored

reach only 417, 122 runs behind Bengal's first-innings total. Delhi reached the final for the eleventh time thanks to their win over Baroda, whose wicketkeeper, Nayan Mongia, scored an undefeated 101 to deny them outright victory. It was his maiden first-class hundred and led a determined recovery after

In Australia, Queensland failed by five runs to beat Victoria in a Sheffield Shield match in Melbourne and achieve the win which would have guaranteed home advan-

tage in the final.

Queensland are four points

with help of plaster

by Marcus Williams

away from home.

Bengal's victory over Hyder-

coloured plaster on his spinning finger and thus gaining an unfair

Baroda had followed on 326 runs behind Delhi's 560.

South Australia, whom they meet in Adelaide later this week,

SPORT FOR THE DISABLED

Barriers lifted in the world of motor sport

their way to the Federation of European Netball Associations under-18 title in Edinburgh last organizing body, the RAC Mo-tor Sports Association, together with a commitment to re-evaluate the ways in which

11 and 33-13 successes over the Republic of Ireland and Scotisabled drivers can be accepted land respectively, and con-cluded on an upbeat note thanks to a 43-24 victory against the Welsh, who finished second. The reference to FENA in the competition's title is something of a misnomer, however, nethall's United Kingdom gov-

erning bodies are hoping to attract entrants with more Confinental-sounding names in imure seasous.

the PES English Counties
League Birmingham's 56-36
win over Hertfordshire keeps
the bolders at the head of the first division, but Surrey. Hertfordshire, Bedfordshire, and Essex Metropolitan, all level on points, each have the

level on points, each have the capacity to overtake them in the final furlong on April 3.

Perhaps the most significant match of the concluding Saturday will be at Surrey, where Birmingham will be the visitors. This weekend the spotlight turns to regional inter-county tournaments in the East. North West. West and East Midlands.



The controversial ban that has licensed for one or more of the The controversial ban that has prevented disabled drivers from taking part in motor sports for the past three years has been lifted. The move follows the recognition of the British Motor Sports Association for the Disabled as a registered club by the block has been to be a second for one or more of the licensed for one or more of the protection of the will eventually mean that some race and rally schools will become assessment centres.

Formula One racing will probably always remain out of more of the protection of the past three years has been life, and the protection of the past three years has been life, and the past three years have a reach, but there are other events that do not involve a speed

At its inception, the blanket ban created uproar in the ranks of drivers with disabilities, many of whom had been competing safely and success-fully for years. But according to the RAC spokesman, Colin Wilson, the decision was taken after several incidents in this At its incention, the blanket after several incidents in this

"We were advised by our medical committee that it was not safe to continue with the original situation whereby any one who held a normal driver's licence could take any licence and licence could take any licence and licenc one who head a normal utiver's ficence could take part. It was felt at the time that it would be fairer to ban all disabled thrivers rather than appear to be victimizing a few."

Thanks to well co-ordinated to be able to take up their pressure exerted by Jack favourite sport once again. Davison and his colleagues in the BMSAD, the RAC isaming moves towards integration but to introduce individual assessment so that each driver can be pursuit of a laudable principle.

tie lines up in Athens in a field so strong that it will probably take at least a British record for him to win it. Included in the

element or where cars compete singly, that pose less risk to other drivers and spectators. Wilson sees no reason why most people with disabilities should not take part in such events as production car trials. auto tests, navigational rallies or touring assemblies. However, a great deal also depends on whether the RAC's insurers are prepared to extend cover if disabled drivers are allowed into

About half a dozen drivers

have already had their licences returned and less severely dis-abled competitors look certain favourite sport once again.
As Wilson says: "We support

CYCLING

BCF loses drugs man

The British Cycling Federation (BCF) is to lose the services of its leading drug-testing expert, Bryan Watton, who is its racing secretary (a Special Correspondent writes). During his 25 years with the BCF, Watton has had a vital role in ensuring that cycle sport led all other disciplines in recognizing that there was a problem and in taking appropriate preventive action. He has worked closely with Chelsea College, the testing orbite, and Sports Council

working committees to help develop testing procedures to be as full proof and as correct as

The federation is one of few controlling bodies allowed to carry out their own programme. Watton has been "headhunted" by another sports

 Nissan is to continue sponsor ing its International Classic, the five-day Irish professional race, for at least another two years.



ATHLETICS: A SUCCESSFUL MOUNTAIN RUNNER WHO HAS NO HEAD FOR HEIGHTS

champion of the high country

By David Powell Athletics Correspondent

If Billy Bonds thinks he has a ain to climb when West Ham United play Oldham Athletic this evening, he should have been with Sally Goldsmith in January. Hers rose 13,500ft up the tallest peak in West Africa and halftime needed as much positive thinking as being 6-0 down in

At the summit of Mount Cameroon, Goldsmith stared failure in the face. "It probably sounds strange for a mountain runner," she said, "but I haven't got a head for

forward: playing down the slope in the second half, she went for all-out attack. She fell over "about 30 times" but got to the bottom quicker than any other woman. A crowd of 40,000, including the Camin the Molyko stadium to see the finish. They had been the finish. They had been desperate to find people was no change of clothes—tee drawn by what Guinness, the because they were worried it shirt and shorts—and no race snowers, bad described race spousors, had described as the "world's toughest mountain race."

mountain races. After losing to get to play squash."

Veronique Marot, the holder

An English language

By David Powell

By tonight, Colin Jackson might

be starting to regret the sporting wager he struck with Linford Christie at the start of the year.

The bet was on which of then

would win the greater number of individual medals and break the

most records in 1990, and Christie can take a 3-2 lead this

evening by improving Lee McRae's indoor world 60 me-

tres mark.
Four days after taking his second title of the year, adding the European indoor 60 metres

tres he won in Auckland, Chris-

prospective line-up are Joe DeLoach, the Olympic 200 me-

STUDENT SPORT

Festival may

be enlarged

for Sheffield

British Students Sports Federa-

tion is to stage a festival at Loughborough University from April 18 to 20, with Endsleigh Insurance Services as sponsors.

College, polytechnic and university teams will play one another in basketball, football,

hockey, netball and volleyball.

More than 350 sportsmen and
women, many of whom will
compete in the 1991 World
Student Games, will take part.

"We are delighted to support

student sport in this way, and look forward to a successful event. Stuart Wartalski, of Endsleigh, said. "Next year we

hope to expand the festival to include all of the World Student Games events and to stage it in

◆ London University won the British students' swimming league final at Warwick. The

race was in the balance until the

last event of the five-team final.

RESULTS: 1, London Univ. 67ps; 2, Loughborough Univ. 68; 3, Swanska Univ. 69; 4, Berangham Univ. 118; Cambridge Univ. 116.

The British men's team for the world student cross-country

championships in Poznan, Po-land, will include John Sherban,

who finished seventh in the

recent national championships

and Simon Mugglestone, who

finished sixteenth, while the

women's team will include Lynn Robinson, who finished

sixth in the nationals, and Claire Lavers, who was seventeenth.

Well in Sa

Sheffield before the Games.

of the British women's best for the marathon, in her first two, she has won the her last six. The Mount Cameroon race, over 24 miles, was the first time she had ventured close to

In exchange for saving a a, with its Cutty Sark, wer of London and Honses of Parliament, you get an tropical rain forests and tem at the bottom to -5°C at the amit. There must have been a shortage of travel brochures in Goldsmith's locale. She said she had done it to "escape the wintery weather and to see

se of Africa." The severity of the challenge seems extreme when an Goldsmith had set out for was game of squash. "When I ng it was a bit of a mistake," she said. "I was at Edinburgh University and women's running team were race sponsors, had described as the "world's toughest mountain race." was going to go defanct. They saw me arriving in a tracksuit and dragged me off by the scruff of my neck. I never did

tres champion, Mark Witherspoon, Pier Francesco Pavoni, Ray Stewart and the world record holder himself.

At the Kelvin Hall, on a track which he says is too soft for fast times, Christie came within 0.01sec of his British record, which stands at 6.55sec, and sold that indicate he his prefer

said that, judging by his performance there, he should run "a

lot faster in Athens?.
For the time being, the wager is evenly balanced. Jackson took a medal and a record in one race

in Auckland, improving his European 110 metres hurdles

mark to 13.08sec in securing

the same day and the Welshman

makes his return to competition

in the Pearl Assurance AAAs indoor championships, at

Jackson and Christie won

Mark

holiday job at a children's there were drinks stations summer sports camp in Crans Montana, Switzerland. "I had done a few races in the mountains there and that proever, she was concerned that, by Mount Cameroon race-day, four menths had claused since

she kad last seen a mounts "It was dannting thought having been away for so long. Staying at altitude in Switzer-land and running in the mountains prepares you, but I had last been there in August." No amount of initiative back at her parents' house in ledon for Christmas chester Hill was the nearest I could find. Compared to Cameroon, it's a bu

Lava on the course was one thing, the weather quite another. "We got everything us," Goldsmith said. There feeding stations. "It's hard enough toiling to get to the top,
without carrying anything. I
bought a pouch at the last
minute to put dried fruit in."

When I do, I'll prepare for it
properly," she said. Then Old
Winchester Hill can come into

The disappointment which

Tony Jarrett felt at having to settle for the European indoor silver medal, hard on a Commonwealth silver behind

Jackson, would be forgotten were he to defeat Jackson at the

Jarrett, who moved shead of

Jonathan Ridgeon in the British all-time list by twice running

7.54sec in Glascow, agreed yes-terday that Jackson, whom he rates as the world No. 1, might

Jarrett has improved by 0.35sec and wants a few more hundredths this weekend on the

quicker Cosford track to break the record of 7.41sec. He has

meeting of the winter.

erable in his first indoor

the water before the 350 competitors arrived.

Having reached the top. Goldsmith's nerve was tested Crans Mentana is a skiin resort but she never skiis of Cameroon, the first this wanted to do was get back down. But coming back was frightening, thinking that if you fell you might not be able

course, with a one-in-three gradient in places, took Goldsmith just over six hours to complete. Her capacity for endurance, combined with a was Isabelle Guillot, the

Goldsmith, aged 29, has never rue a marathon and, for

purchased Andy Norman, the British Amateur Athletic Board promotions officer, in an ob-

vious jibe at the Scots, who committed a series of admin-

istrative howlers at the Euro-pean indoor championships, promised: "I am confident it

will be a good meeting. The organization run by the English [AAAs] will be excellent."

RUGBY LEAGUE

HOCKEY

COMMERCIAL UNION WAS CHAMP-IONSHIP: Mee's Smit Loughborough v Shaffield (Coverity School, 2, 15), Other Instit: Hockey Association XV London University (Soming Lane, Reading 2, 38).

OTHER SPORT

BASKETBALL: National League: First division: Inneal Oldham v Bury (8.0). BALLANDE: Stracham UK Billards cham-plonehip (Manton Heast and Country Club, Middlesbrough).

challenge by Muddle Christie bets on setting indoor record

By a Special Correspondent

Barnbrook

Again's

Champion

priority

the bay's owner, yesterday. We have left him in the Gold Cup

sences in the Champion Chase he would then take his chance in

the Cheltenham executives yesterday. However, it could well

arrangement.

"It would be nice to go for the for the Gold Cup," continued the Welshman. "But all the

Osric injured

Ouric, a 33-1 chance for Tues day's Champion Hurdle, wil miss the race following an

miss the race issuaving an accident on the way to exercise at Newmarket yesterday. Mick Ryan's seven-year-old, who had just recovered from a near-fore askie spasin, knocked the same make when he fell on the walk to the gallops.

experts tell us he won't stay and

my trainer."
Hywel Davies – no relation to
the owner – will partner
Barnbrook Again and other
Cheltenham jockey news yes-

terday concerned Steve Smith Eccles, who is expected come in for the coveted ride on Stone Flake, second favourite for the Daily Express Triumph Hurdle

tomorrow week.
"I had hoped to get Peter Scudamore as he rode the horse to win his only race at Wolverhampton," Paul Kelleway, his

trainer, said yesterday, his trainer, said yesterday. "Richard Dunwoody was another possible beautiful bea

oru Dunwoody was another possible, but he is also unavailable.

"It now looks like I will end up with the old Eccles cake. He

es a good record in the race and

you can't best experience."
Stone Flake, a good performe

on the Flat, has made an excellent recovery from mus-cular trouble which had looked

likely to jeopardize his participation at Cheltenham.

"He worked very well this morning and it's very encouraging," continued Kelleway, who finished second in the Triumph

on Padiocked in 1973. "I will school Stone Flake on Thursday over a couple of hundles and that

will fully test his fitness."
On the Champion Hurdle from Deep Sensation was in-

troduced into their betting lists at 33-1 by Ladbrokes following

miss the race because of a

High Court

blocked sixus problem.

Barnbrook Again, the win

Ron Muddle, whose plan to Britain since 1927 was stopped in its tracks, yesterday launched a legal challenge in the High Court to overturn the decision, Cosford on Friday and Sat-urday, in which Christie also of seven strides to the first runs.

dispensed with his experiment of seven strides to the first hurdle and Roger Kingdom's assertion that Jarrett is poten-Lord Justice Stuart-Smith and Mr Justice Simon Brown are tially the biggest talent in world hundling may move a little Mr Justice Simon Brown are being asked to quash four decisions made by the Jockey Club in August and September fast year refusing to alllocate at least 15 Flat fixtures at a new fill million carecourse in closer towards proof on The announcement yesterday that Tom McKean would run at his European indoor gold medal-winning distance, the 860 metres, should ensure that a few of the unsold 4,000 tickets are

£10 million racecourse in Telford, Shropshire. Muddle, chairman of RAM Racecourses, is seeking judicial review of the decisions which take effect from January 1, 1991 in accordance with Jockey Club policy. He claims the Jockey Club has acted unlawfully and is seeking an order requiring it to reconsider allocating the fix-tures at the new site.

tures at the new site.

Following a policy review, the Jockey Club announced it would be granting permission for additional days' racing in 1990 and 1991 but later reversed its decision, Muddle claims.

He understood that under the review he would be allocated 15 fixtures, the minimum allocated.

review he would be allocated 15 fixtures, the minimum allocation for the year 1991. He then speat a considerble amount of time, effort and money on the new Telfard development.

He has been told he will not be allocated the minimum number of fixtures, despite the fact that only 37 of the 120 new turf fixtures have been allocated.

The hearing, expected to last three days, continues today.

A planning application to build a racecourse complex near cardiff will be considered at local council level on Friday week. The scheme is being backed by Seawillow, a London investment countern.

Davis facing

further eye surgery

Rikki. Davis, who underwent surgery at the weekend after being injured in a fall at Ludlow last Thursday, is to have further operations on his left eye and face.

face. Wendy Davis, his mother, and wife of Peter Davis, the Reddisch trainer, said yesterday. "He came very close to losing his eye. The goggles he was waring cut in all round his eye and plastic had to be inserted to! keep his eye in place." keep his eye in place." Michael Berrow, the former manager of Duran Duran, yes-terday announced ambitious plans to turn a Worcestershire stable into a top training centre. Berrow topes to have a mixed string of 100 trained by Alex Whining at Buckland stability.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

7.30 unless stand FOOTBALL Littlewoods Cup Semi-final, second leg First leg score in brackets West Ham (0) v Oldham (6) (7.45).... Barclays League First division

Arsenel v Nottm Forest (7.45) Luton v Coventry (7.45) Second division Brighton v Plymouth Leeds v Port Vale.....

Fourth division Exeter v Halifax...... Hereford v Grimsby Lincoln v Southend... Tennents Scottish Cup Fourth Round Replay

Clydebank v St Mirren.

B and Q Scottish League Clyde v Raith... Second division Cowdenbeath v Queen of South GM Vauxhall Conference Bob Lord Trophy Second round

Telford v Altrinchan Second round replay Runcom v Kidderminster.

Runcom v Kidderminster

HFS LOANS LEAGUE CUP: Fourth round replay: Bengor City v Bishop Auckland. Premier divinior: Gateshead v Goole. First divisior: Gateshead v Goole. First divisior: Actington Startley v Harrogate; Haddilft Borough v Leek; Whitey Bay v Droylsden.

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier divisior: Atherstone v Bromsgrove. Midland divisior: Barry v Reddilch; Sambuell Borough v Russhden. Southers divisior: Salisbury v Trowbridge.

RISH LEAGUE: Budweiser Cap first: Linflield v Gentrors fet Windoor Park).

PONTINS LEAGUE: First division: Bradford v Blackburr. Notis County v Mancheter City Second division: Massifield v Wolverteampton; Poor Valle v Rotherham; York v Scuntanno.

OVERDEN PAPERS COMBINATION: Ign-wich v Totienham (2.0); GPR v Fulkers (2.0); Wattord v Crystel Palace (8.0). yeary, vrantour y crystal Palace (E.Q. VALIDHALL LEAGUE: First division: Chestrain Und y Whysiosia (? 45) Sacond division south: Royston y Hordord, Sacond division south: Flackwell Heath, y Harefield.

BASS NORTH WEST COUNTRES-LEAGUE: Lumot Phe Cape Soul-finel: Beaup Borough v Cheedle (et Burscough FC). GREAT NELLS LEAGUE: Premier di-visios: (7.45): Chippenham v Taumon; Bideford v Tornigitor; Davilein v Bristol Menor Fierm; Plymouth Argine v Therbors. Wellon Rovers v Swanage and Herston. RUGBY UNION

CLUB HATCHER: Bridgend v Swarsea (7.15); East Midsands v Sarberians (at Northempton, 3.0); Newbridge v South Glamorgen Institute (7.15); Newport v Ebw Vate (7.0); Oxford University v Oxford Sarberians (7.15); Pensyth v Carolli (7.0); Ponsythida CUP: Flest: St Marry's v The London (London Weish, 2.30).

BASIGERALL: Envesport 10-11.30em and 2-4pm College search, and highlights from the Encopean cloud.

BIATHLOR: Exceptant 8-10em and 12-1pm: Highlights of the Warld championship from Resolich. Soviet Union.

BOXING: Encopert 8-10pm: World championship injohights: Screensport 9-30-1pm: Top Residence event from the United States. POTRALL: Europeat 11.30em-middey and 10pm-middey. Goele, and high-lights of the European Capt Screenspect 4.15-6pm: Highlights of the European Capt Screenspect 4.15-6pm: Highlights of the Las Augules Open and Docal Ryder Open from Manni: Europeat 5-7pm: Highlights of the Dubel Cheese.

ICE HOCKEY: Screensport 12-2pm; Visi-ional Hockey Langue. ICE SKATORC: Eurosport 4-8pm and 12-3am (tomorrow), C4 5-5.30pm and 1-3am (tomorrow): Highlights and See coverage of the World champlooships from Halfact,

SECURITY SPECIAL: 174 TAMES WORLD SPORT: (Smooppet 7-10,40pm archight: Footnet: (Spikiphalle Open Sport from around the world.)

10.40pm archight: Footnet: (Spikiphalle Open Sport from around 17.30pm.

Addiestrough; BOWLS: English women's 'indoor championships (Lutox). ICE HOCKEY: Helestern Laegue: First division: Sough v Swindon (8.0). TENER: Men's indoor selettle four-hearing Managament. SPORT ON TV

MOTOR SPORT: Eurosport 1-2on: High-lights of the 1989 Formula One and motorcycling circuits.

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from Guyant: Football: Highlights from
the European Cup, quarter-finals: Figurestudies: Highlights of the World
championships from Highlig, Mora
Scotts.

TENNES: Serviceport 7-10am: United States indoor Champiorables: Highlights of the newl-State and final.

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Withy Bank can take his revenge

(Michael Phillips)

Opposing The Wilk in steeplechases at Catterick has proved an expensive exercise but I am happy to do so today with With Bank, who is napped to win the Peter Vaux Memorial Trophy.

Last time out, Peter Easterby's versatile eight-yearold was beaten half a length by The Wilk in the Catterick Grand National Trial. On that occasion he was endeavouring to give 2lb to a horse that has gained seven course successes, five of them this season. Now Withy Bank receives 51b from his rival and looks set to take

The form of that Catterick race has a gilt-edged look with A CASE OF THE PARTY OF THE PART Old Applejack, who finished for La Plume over today's

2.00 Timely Star.

2.30 Sally's Dove. 3.00 Crock-Na-Nee.

Going: good (with soft patches)

Newcastle and The Wilk himself returning successfully to
the North Yorkshire track a

Roth face a much harder task

The second division may go
to Aretic Skylight, who had
the unenviable task of chasing fortnight ago. On that occa-sion, Raisabillion was still in this time. contention when he fell.

Pikeman, another who has shown useful form in bumper this season, also reopposes on

Bank has much less to make With both Tartan Tradefield, the pace seems bound to be a ferocious one from the start because they are both habitual front-runners. The risk must be that they will cut one another's throats and thus

BANGOR

Selections By Mandarin

Michael Seely's selection: 3.00 MENINGI (nap), 3.30 Asigh, The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.00 TIMELY STAR.

Brian Beel's selection: 3.30 Chipped Metal.

Guide to our in-line racecard

Resecred number. Str-figure form (F - fell, P - pulled up. U - unseased rider. B - brought down. S - alloped up. R - refused.

D - disqualified). Horse's name. Days eince lest outling: F if first. (B - blinkers. V - visor. H - hood. E - Byeshair. C - course where. D - distance winner. CD - course and Handicapper's railing.

1 113149 GOOD TIMES 13 (INF.F,Q,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 12-0

2.0 CROXTON NOVICES CHASE (£2,908: 2m 4f) (16 runners) PAUSE ROYAL GREEK SO (F.0) (J. Renton) M. Pipe 8-12-0.

1 SAJOSE AUTUMN SPORT 15 (F.0) (C. Jerdine) J. Edwards 9-11-7.

1 08-4820 EROSTIN FLOATS 26 (Mrs D. Uppon) J. Uppon 8-11-7.

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8 2/0FBU TRIBLY STAR 16 (R.RF,S) (5 Smith) Mrs J Pitmen 9-11-7
9 SP/TPPP WYVERN 22 (S,F) (R Rowlands) W City 7-11-7
10 F61343 CORE VAMBICH 12 (G,S) (R.R.S J George) P Hobbs 6-11-2
11 80 FARRANRORY 27 (Hiss J George) O O'Telli 6-11-2
12 FSP/TPP TRAYALL GML 16 (Are P Wyer) G Ham 9-11-2
13 06052 WOODLAND RETRIEAT 22 (Airs J Pictaring) J Pictaring 10-11-2
14 10-100 BRUNTO PANESHY 28 (L Golders) P Brees 5-10-12
15 P002F JUST PERIONS 22 (J Guitrie) P Anderson 5-10-12
16 6PG THE MICKLEBUCK 12 (Airs G Dickie) R Dickie 5-10-12

2.30 HOLYWELL SELLING HURDLE (£1,842: 2m) (19 runners)

18 387974 PONTEYEOCHO RELIA 11 (F Branch) R Jucine 4-10-5 A Jucine (7) 98
19 8 TARATONG 6 (Mrs L. Tong) K White 4-10-5 A O'Hegen —
BETTING: 3-1 Saly's Dove, 7-2 Anhat, 5-1 Akington Prince, 6-1 Sig Chief, 8-1 Ponteyeochio Bella, 12-1
Steepers, 14-1 Poolet Jammer, 20-1 others.
1980: SANTAC 4-10-10 C Lieuwilys (2-1 p-lev) D McCain 8 ran

FORM FOCUS SALLYS DOVE has sound claims here if to Loganismo at Edinburgh (2m, good, PORTE-returning to the form of her 71 defect of Hot Company at Wolferbempton (2m, good). BIG CHELA one-paced 10% etc. of 17 to bline whowed inproved from what it 2nd to Fleet Found of Chelk in a Stratificial (2m, good to soft). Chelk in a Stratificial (2m, good to soft). CARALLES put up best recent effort when 2% 3rd to Fleet Fund on CARACKER D'OR 13th. Should confirm the form.

Selection: SALLYS DOVE

BETTING: 5-4 Timely Star, 4-1 Coire Vannich, 11-2 Royal Greek, 8-1 Autumn Sport, 12-1 Broatin Firets, 14-1 Woodland Retreet, Mr Dibbs, 20-1 others.

1900: GADBROOK 7-11-10 S Dowling (7-4 (pr) R Lee 11 ran

FORM FOCUS ROYAL GREEK fell 2 out when besten in a contest won by Mercurius at Ayr; serier put up fair parformances when besting Chockew by 31 at Catteriok (2m, good to firm). Ledder to the trip beyond him when a disappointment at Leicester (2m, good to soft; serier 2 2nd to Cash is King at Leicester (2m, good to soft; serier 2 2nd to Cash is King at Leicester (2m, good to soft; serier 2 2nd to Cash is King at Leicester (2m, good to soft; serier 2 2nd to Cash is King at Leicester (2m, good). VOCCULARIOS RETRIEAT 10 2nd to Mountebor at (2m, 4m, good). VOCCULARIOS RETRIEAT (2m, 4m, good). VOCCULARI

2 NR259 NOCCUMBINE 4 (5) (1 Upon) 3 Upon 5-1 5-64F MILL RELIC 25 (8) (1 Eaton) J Enton 7-11-7... 4-97408 MR DIMES 30 (5) (9 Barcrott) M Chief 9-71-7... 3403- SPACE GEN 305 (7 Device) R Pencyck 9-11-7... 24091 Tibell Y STAR 16 (8,07,3) (8 Smith) Mm J Pimmer

71b better terms but Withy

pave the way for Withy Bank. Last time out, Tartan Trademark easily accounted

3.30 Chipped Metal. 4.00 Mylor. 4.30 Papajoto.

. S West (7) M

P Standamero
T Mergen
III Lynch
Nr D Costello
J Railton (S)
J Chieff

V Statlery (7)

D Dennin (7)
R Hellowy (7)
P Verlag (2)
S Forte

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Shown Jimes 79
... A J Cales (5) ...
S Divice (5) ...
Inches Halden (7) ...
S J O'les 81

... R Hydž

B C'Dowd (7)
..... S Powel
..... D J Burchell

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R Bosses (7)

Vote Highler

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Noble Raider, who has been runner-up to The Wilk races at Warwick and Southwell (twice), is taken to day, also makes a swift return make a winning debut over

Straight Pilot, probable favour-ite for the RMC Group Pic Novices' Hunter Chase at Bas-

the useful Trefelyn Cone home at Market Rasen Fingest, winner of the feature race at Market Rasen that for the Llangollen Handicap hurdles for Jimmy Fitzgerald Chase at Bangor but Creck-

with both Tartan Trade-mark and Black Spur in the Palmahalm looks value

third, winning his next race at New course and distance on New in the first division of the Na-Nee is preferred. Offiver Newcastle and The Wilk him- Year's Day while Black Spur Hornby Novices' Hurdle. Sherwood's nine-year-old was successful over course and distance in December.

Timely Star who would have won at Huntingdon last time out had he not ducked to his left going into the last fence, is taken to get things right in the Crotton Novices' Chase now that he will be wearing blinkers for the first time. Hopefully, blinkers will straighten him out and, at his best, he looks in a different

Class. Valient Boy, who has won his last two races at Southwell. Novices' Hunter Chase at Basgar today, was finitered by his
Wetherby victory over Call Collect, who hit the third last fence
hard just as he was making his
forward more (Brism Beel
writes).

Better value may be
PALMAHALM, a comfortable

ago.

CHIPPED METAL returns
to Banger to run in Hugh Peel
the Rinton Novices' Hurdle
series. Last time out, he best
the Cheshire Farest Open at
Tatton Park will stand him in
good stand and he should have
the odge over Ok Why.

Monday.

3.0 LLANGOLLEN HANDICAP CHASE (22,851: 2m 4f) (8 runners)

Long hundleng: The Permerskischen 9-5, Allen's Boy S-4.
BETTERE: 3-7 Municpi, 4-1 Fisgore, 5-1 Corn Merchent, 6-1 Crock-No-Hon, 6-1 Gesterook, 19-1 The Permerskischen, 1-4-1 Allen's Boy.
1906. ICONTON'S COSI 8-11-10 R Dummoody (5-4 Inn) S Griffithe S ran

FORM FOCUS Posters showed grantly improved form when bearing the Majord to the Majord

3.30 HUGH PEEL HUNTERS CHASE (Ameteurs: £1,674; 3m) (8 runners)

N-2 OK WHY 25 (5) (J Grisenal) W A Stephenson 9-12-4.
29- ARDENT SPY 262 (D.F.A.S.) (W Chay) W Chay 13-13-0.
29- GENERAL MILLY 305 (5) (Res J Taylor) Mrs. J Taylor 12-12-0.
3-P MANDIA REET 23 (F.A.S.) (B Lengthan) B Langthan 12-13-0.
48 MONT SAFE 11 (R.S.) (Mrs. J Griston) Mrs. J Griston 9-13-0.

6 TURN MILL 16 (Mrs. S Poller) Mrs. S Poller 9-11-0.

BETTING: 5-2 Highs Sufe, 5-1 Asigh, 6-1 Chipped Motel, 8-1 On Why, 10-1 Ardest Spy, 12-1 M 1980: CREPPED METAL 10-11-0 Mr D Barlow (2-1) R Francis S rast

FORM FOCUS Assets made autracoccurse debut at Utionster (2m 44, soff), defeating Pitreguide Tech 12l.

Call Collect on reappearance at Ayr (2m 110yd, heavy). ARDENT SPT 131 2nd to Educating on last completed start in Utionster learning on last complete Start in Utionster learning on last complete start in Utionster last in points but here shown like on the production of the pulling up batters 4 out at Newton poor 4th to Str. Jest; holds sound chance if reproducting form of 42 2nd to Consecuopper in learning have good in April Coll WHT Carellable 201 2nd to Start in Utionster learning on last complete start in Utionster learning of Start in Utionster learning on last complete start i

4.0 CHERK NOVICES HURDLE (4-Y-O: £1,660: 2m) (13 numers)

PO ACCESSOPHORNICHLINCH SA (B) (A Saley) E Over 10-12
PD ACCESSOPHORNICHLINCH SA (B) (A Saley) E Over 10-12
PD DIAMOND BOY 11 (J Brook) Mise A King 10-12
GO WIDLAN UPPRISING ST (Ars in Planell) J Brandell 10-12
GO WIDLAN 10PRISING W Higginy E Owen 10-12
GO WILLIAM 10PR (A Licraes) M Pipe 10-12
GO WILLIAM 10PR (A Booking) B Cambridge 10-7
GO WILLIAM 10PR (A Booking) B Cambridge 10-7
GO WINDE POR A BAY 14 (R Syre) W City 10-7
GO WINDE POR A BAY 14 (R Syre) W City 10-7
JUST SUZAMINA 182F (Group 1 Racing Ling J Spearing 10-7
GO THE CHELY WAY DUT 4 (B Culter) M Eciday 10-7 8 Dantes (8) ---... It thereis --P Studement D Gallagher R Datestoody C Heatle 619 A West

1990: RAALEN 4-10-12 M Booley (8-1) J Booley 7 ran

FORM FOCUS MYFOR showed abilby in making events
on the First and less been supported for the Titismph
Hurde.

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4.30 LADBROKE RACING NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (22,679: 2m) (16 runners)

1 2810 1985E FAN 128 (S Street) T Caldwell 5-12-0
2 62230 CLD DUTCH HOLDON 26 (D.Q) (A1 Paper Pic) Mas S Which 5-11-10 R Democally 96
8 POSTIU MOTTRAN'S GOLD 4 (D.S) (G Brown) R Dickin 5-11-0
9 Democally (7) 84
80-2237 PURPLE SELK 20 (Mrs E Over) E Overs 6-11-2
8 Democally 98
8 Democally 98

Long handlosp: Dynamic Star \$-11. BETTING: 7-2 Smiley, 4-1 Polar Vision, 5-1 Will James, 8-1 Papajoto, Up-A-Polat, 10-1 Mottram's Gold, Purpie Silt, 14-1 chiers. 1900: PRINCE BOLD 8-11-10 B Powell (16-1) Mice S William 11 ran

FORM FOCUS MOTTRAMS GOLD for provide all formers and the comparation of the comparation o

CATTERICK BRIDGE

Course specialists

Par cent 44.4 P Scudeno 41.7 T Morgan 23.2 J Osborne 21.7 B Dowling 17.9 R Bellany 17.4 B Powell

Selections By Mandarin

2.15 Speech 2.45 Noble Raider.

3.45 Estonia. 4.15 Straight Pilot. 4.45 Arctic Skylight. 3.15 WITHY BANK (nap). Brian Beel's selection: 4.15 Palmahalm

Going: good

2.15 EBF NOVICES CHASE (£2,283: 3m 1f 80yd) (16 runners)

BETTING: 11-4 Speech, 9-2 Valuesty, 5-1 into The Mystic, 6-1 Consedy Road, Lake Valentinz, 8-1 Dabe-70-1 Wright Metody, 14-1 others. 1988: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

2.45 HORNEY MOVICES HURDLE (DIV I: £1,380: 2m) (5 runners) 1 10106 SPECIENT 11 (D.Q.S) (N Marriott) O Brotten 9-17-17 R Gandly (F) 90
2 653001 LAST O' This BURCH 11 (D.Q.S) (G Middlebroott) E Waymes 6-11-11 J Callegher (S) 9-30
3 80 RHOWINGER BRIEG 18 (Miss C Burch) J Halding 5-11-3 N Daughty —
4 CULLOUGH 15 (Alss B Broad) Mrs S Broad 7-11-3 Nr System —
412 HOBLE RADGER 18 (D.ST) (A Budge (Equins) Ltd) Jimoy Fizzparald 6-11-3 Nr System —
5 11-3 HOBLE RADGER 18 (D.ST) (A Budge (Equins) Ltd) Jimoy Fizzparald 6-11-3 Nr System —
6 11-10 Hoble Radger, 5-2 Greysby, 11-4 Last 'O' The Burch, 16-1 Browneide Brig, 25-1 Culloden.
6 11-10 Hoble Radger, 5-2 Greysby, 11-4 Last 'O' The Burch, 16-1 Browneide Brig, 25-1 Culloden.

3.15 PETER YALLX MEMORIAL TROPHY HANDICAP CHASE (22,954: 3m 1f 80yd) (9

N Doughly 95 _ L Wyer @ 90 SET THIS S. F. Black Spur, 7-2 Wiley Sank, The Wilk, 5-1 Tarten Tradement, 8-1 Releabillion, 10-1 Green

1999: THE WILK 10-10-3 C Grant (8-1) W A Staphenson 9 ran

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3.45 RUDBY SELLING HURDLE (4-Y-C: £1,632: 2m) (10 runners)

PROUBLY SELLING TRANSLE (*** 1*** 2. 1 page and (**)

80 DIAMONDOUS 40 (D Stokes) H Trainer 10-12.

9 DITEMPINE PRINCE 16F (E Lumese) Ronald Thompson 10-12.

P000 FRAL PLAYER 7 (J Abel) M W Enterby 10-12.

1006 STRANSHT 128F (A Crock) W Secrey 10-12.

80 RYTEPD WORLD 27 (J Walnessy) J Walnessy 10-12.

82 ESTOMA 16F (8F) (Full Circle Thomoghibrods F Pic) N Tinkler 10-7.

80 FULL OF FORT 4 (H Harper-Crows) T Donasty 10-7.

80 STARLIOHT WONDER 25 (J Thomson) R Berr 10-7.

400 STARLIOHT WONDER 25 (J Thomson) R Berr 10-7.

44244 TARMON LASS 138F (T Numer) J Parket 10-7. Cityen (7) 91

BETTING: 10-11 Estonia, 4-1 Final Player, 6-1 Lady Khedja, 8-1 Diamonding, Pull Of Port, 20-1 others. 1988: SPATE 4-11-0 G McCoort (1-4 fav) N Tinider 8 san

4.15 RMC GROUP PLC NOVICES HUNTER CHASE (Amelours: £1,644: 3m 1f 80yd) (11 2 CAMION LAD (A Bernet) A Bernet 8-11-9-----3 POSP-UB CROWN CROSSETT 18 (E Caine) E Caine 8-11-9. J Boardesi (7)
P Joshine (7)
N F Smith (7)
C Strapic (5)
P Johnson (7)
H Strang (7) 6822-P4 DALTON DANEY 15 (Y Holb Y Holl 8-11-9. 4 (822-94 DALTON DAMPY 16 (Y Hall) Y Hall 8-11-9
5 365(PU DLCON DAMPY 16 (Y Hall) W Hall 8-11-9
6 (635(PP- PANAVISTA 319 (Arts V Dungal) Mrs V Dungak 10-11-9
7 YOUNG MURPHY (T Lapping) T Lapping 8-11-9
8 8 HADE FOR LIFE 16 (R Burndge) R Burndge 8-11-4
9 910009- MATURALLY AUTURN 313 (9) (A Boccock) A Boccock 9-11-4
10 9/ PALMANALM 1229F (1400 (K Anderson) K Anderson 8-11-4
11 4/P- 2051ER SAM 286 (T Sould) T Smith 10-11-4

METTRICE 11-10 Straight Plot, 7-2 Palmahaim, 6-1 Cld Mck, 6-1 Made For Life, 8-1 Delice Deady,

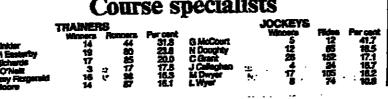
1969: JELUPE 7-11-2 S Sendys-Clarks (11-4 fev) Fl Sandys-Clarks 15 ran 4.45 HORNEY NOVICES HURDLE (Div il: 21,380: 2m) (7 runners)

Cityan (7) @ 30 SETTING: 2-1 Foggy Scotch, 11-4 The Egg Beron, 9-2 Arctic Stylight, 7-1 Gold

5.15 GRUNWICK STAKES NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (£1,772: 2m) (18 runners)

BETTING: 13.8 Happycets, 4-1 Mr Woodcook, 5-1 Belgody, 6-1 Bistahokse, 8-1 Wensbys. 10-1 Maser Gebo, 18-1 Others. 1965: ABBOT OF PURNISS 5-11-S LOTters (3-1 test) G Pichards 18 mo

Course specialists



Tote chairman makes plea for free all-weather racing

By Michael Seely " Racing Correspondent

Lord Wyatt of Weeford, chairman of the Tote, yesterday made a plea for free admission to all-weather tracks in an attempt to popularize the new form of racing with the public. Speaking at the Tote annual lunch in London, Lord Wyatt said that all-weather tracks would have a "great future when racegoers get to like them, but so far they don't. I suggest an enticing free admission." As far as the Tote's on-course

operation was concerned, the chairman considered that the all-weather meetings had been "wash-outs."
Since the first Lingfield meet-

ing on October 30, the 29 allther meetings had given the Tote an average course cash take of £11,300. In the same period last year, six turf meetings at the course had returned an average of £52,400.

Lord Wystt went on to point out that the story had been similar at Southwell, where on January 19 only 137 paid to get



Lord Wyatt: no attempt to answer criticism of Tote

by more than it per cent because of bad weather. "It's difficult for the marvellous, modern Tote on-course to make money in these con-ditions. I've been hoping that our on-course cash turnover would rise comfortably to over \$50 million by the end of March against last year's £55 million. Now it looks more like being £58 million."

Interestingly the chairman He then added that it had not made no attempt to answer the only been the all-weather meetsings which have suffered during the winter. In the two months to Rebruary 7, attendances at all former chief executive. A

Boraceva puts Aintree hopefuls in their place

year-old was returning to his excellent form of last season when his five wins included Cheltenham's National Hunt

Chase.
"He jumped as he did last year, but has not been doing this season," said Toby Balding, who will give him one more run before the Scottish National, probably at Newbury towards the end of the month.

Boraceva put eight Grand National candidates in the shade when landing the Crudwell Cup at Warwick yesterday and now for the Scottish Grand for the Scottish Grand outjumped his opponent at the second last and sprinted away to win by 15 lengths.

101b in the National, was the only Aintree entry to finish in the frame. Midnight Madness fell at the second while Jamie Osborne pulled up Sacred Path. Polyfemus, who finished fifth after making much of the run-ning, will take his chance at Aintree. "He seemed to get tired today but has not run for some time," Michael Robinson said.

firmed that he is heading a bid for a management-led employee buy-out of Tote betting shops. Smith had resigned as managing director of Tote Bookmakers at the end of last September "in order to pursue my objective from outside the organization." He had accused the Tote of

commercial mismanagement, and of misleading the public about the board's contribution to racing.

Another criticism was that the introduction of the £2 cach-way minimum stake had resulted in the loss of nearly £2 million in Tote turnover, resulting in a

shortfall to racecourses of between £50,000 and £100,000. He also contested the Tote's method of reporting profits which showed nearly £9 million last year, when 50 per cent was contributed to racing, and this year's forecast of £8 million profit with 60 per cent contrib-

uted to racing.
"Last year's actual profit was "Last year's actual profit was £4.17 million on £175 million turnover (2.38 per cent)," he said. "This year's profit will probably be £3.5 million on £200 million (1.75 per cent). "Since in 1986-87 profit was £3.65 million on £125 million turnover (2.91 per cent), over three years turnover test in-

level of profit has declined." Explaining further, Smith said yesterday: "I think that the Tote board should be disbanded and all the on-course operations should be handed over to the Racecourse Association. There should be no problems as all the facilities are already there."

Further discussing his plan to take over the betting shops, Smith went on: "At the moment everything is mismanaged. There's simply not enough commercial expertise. At present 90 per cent of off-course betting is done at SP. What we want to do is to greatly expand the placepot and jackpot. "If we could install the nec-

essary equipment and gear everything up, this form of betting would really take off. And we're sure that all the major bookmakers would join in and contribute to the pool."

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Selections By Mandarin

2.10 Galwex Lady. 2.40 Valiant Boy. 3.10 Lucy Lastic. 3.40 Hopea. 4.10 Rehearsing. 4.40 Bally-

SOUTHWELL

Michael Seely's selection: 4.40 Ballydurrow,

Going: standard

2.10 HOCKERTON JUVENILE CLAIMING HURDLE (£1,632: 2m 2f) (7 runners)

4-6 Gelwex Lady, 7-2 Bollin Gorgeous, 6-1 Birminghent's Pride, 8-1 Vallent Desh, 20-1 others. 240 KIRTON NOVICES HURDLE RACE FINAL

1 -212 HOPPING ARCHIND 22 (D,S) C Thornton 6-11-9 2 8304 RODCHENKO 42 (CD,RF,V) T Calcius 5-11-9

S SPR1 WARRIONS CODE 42 (CD) D Todd 7-11-6 ... G Bradley 4*4E11 VALIANT SOY 14 (CD.) S Kettlewell 4-11-4

Evens Vallant Boy, 9-4 Hopping Around, 160-30 Red-chenko, 7-1 Warriors Code. Course specialists

qualitiers).
JOCKEYS: J Lower, 8 winners from 20 ricles, 40,0%; D Byrne, 7 from 22, 26,9%; G Bradley, 8 from 32, 25,0%; Gary Lyons, 11 from 44, 25,0%; A J Culnir, 3 from 16, 18,5%; R Markey, 5 from 38, 12,8%.

● Worcester, where three meetings have been lost to flooding this winter, are optimistic that their next fixture on March 21 will go ahead. Hugo Bevan, the clerk of the course, said yesterday: "There is still a lot of work to do but conditions

are favouring us at the moment."

• Jeremy Glover, with five winners from nine runners in February, has been named Techturf

3.10 FISKERTON HANDICAP HURDLE (21,786: 2m

7 -80P HORTHERN SULER 18F (G,S) R Thompson 5-10-5

11 9-85 CHANTELY DAWN 25 J Hignes 6-10-0 12 P/06 INAJESTIC MASK 60 B Gee 9-10-0 13 0666 CHARLOTTE'S GIFT 14 T Kerzey 5-10-0

9-4 Miss Magic, 3-1 Waverley Boy, 7-2 Lucy Lastic 6-1 Prairie Agent, 6-1 Feeling Rosey, 12-1 others. 3.40 LONG BENNINGTON JUVENILE MOVICES HURDLE (21,632: 2m) (10)

7-4 Bar Fly, 7-2 Glenmere Prince, 5-1 Burkes Progress, 6-1 Mehtab, 6-1 Angela Klas, 10-1 Barley Mow, 14-1 others. 4.10 EDWINSTONE NOVICES HANDICAP HUR-

4 000P NR STRIDER 44 M Wildrison 6-11-0 D Skyrme (S)
4 000P NR STRIDER 44 M Wildrison 6-11-0 M Davies
5 2052 LEAC TIME 44 R Hollinshead 4-10-11. Carry Lyons (S)
6 000 VISHAL STAR 22 Mrs C Postlethwelle 4-10-9 J J Calins
7 3F02 DEEP WATER BAY 19 B McMatth 6-10-6 A Carrolle
8 000P PULLOVER 11 J McCormochle 5-10-4. B Turner
10 6P0 TILSTOME LODGE 15F (R) T Caldwell 5-10-4. B Turner
10 6P0 TILSTOME LODGE 15F (R) T Caldwell 5-10-4. B Turner
11 -PF0 GANTE CASTLE 11 Mrs G Plowright 6-10-0 P Farrelt
12 0P - GET VOUCHER 45F H Prechey 13-10-0 Am Stocket (7)
3-1 Rehearsing, 7-2 Britisht Wish, 5-1 Deep Water Bay,
Youthfol Pip, 7-1 Like Time, 10-1 Visual Stay, 12-1 others.

4.40 GOVERTON HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,590:

Results from yesterday's three meetings

Guing: good to soft

1.30 (2m Sf helin) 1, SHASTON (H
Davies, 8-1); 2, Veritain (P Kally, 50-1); 3,
Sidan-in-Law (M Richards, 20-1), ALSO
RAN: 2 for Le Piccolage (Stit), 5-2 Parmy
Rose, 6 Culleamn, 18 Tophard (4th, 20
Straight Brandy, Briefing, 25 File Du Parc,
SU Abu Musiab (Stit), Cusic Ritin, Savern
Invitor, Tagmoun Chaufour, Tubbe, Border Cherry (pul, Bottle Basher, South Bar
(pul, Station Pam, 19 ran, 254, 6, 1%1, 3,
261, W Turner at Sherborne. Tota: 28,05
22.10, 227.00, 22.80, DF: 2573.70, CSF:
22325.91. NR: Deblins' Double.
2.9 (2m Sf bdie) 1, The FRANK AGAMY (T

225.91. NR: Deblins' Double.
2.9 (2m 5! bdfe) 1, TBS FRANK AGABY (T Cartnody, 12-1); 2, Winnie The Witch (M Dwyer, 7-1); 3, Minnellinke (Fl Durwoody, 9-1). ALSO RAN: 11-8 for Close Escape (80); 4 Bustamente (40); 15-2 Themse-down Tootske, 16 This Mo Trank (50); 20 Haddon Lad. 8 ran. 1%, 71, 11, nk, 2%; D Marray Statis at Upper Lambourn. Total 213-05; 22-05, 21-05. 21-70. DF-2194-50. GSP: 231.78. Thoust 2777/09.

CSP: 281.78. Tricest 5/17.09.
2.30 (2m et ch) 1, 889AAH JAY (D Balliez, 3s-1); 2, Broad Beam (R Dunwoody, 7-1); 3, Mandray (P Scudemore 6-1), ALSO RAN; Evens he Arctic Chayler (D. 7 Harley Struct Man (4th), 61 audicroside Lad (6th), 20 Bruteste Sprouts (pol. 40 Bryma (pol. 8 ran. 61, 201, sh hd, 201, N Mitchell et Dorchester, Totar 234.70; 54.00, 21.70, 51.80, DP: 286.00, CSP: 2207.78. Tricest 21,370.87.
2.8 (Fm total 1 MONINCE MINITALE (D. 23.00)

2007-78. Tricast 21,270.97.

3.0 (2m hule) 1, MONNCS MINTAINE (I)
SMILEZ, 7-1): 2, Mighty Prisco (S.
McCourt, 3-1 j-tim), 3, Mangdony (T. Carmody, 3-1 j-tim), 4,150 FAAK 100-90
Wingcommender Ents (4th), 8 Warneick
Suite (3th), 11 Colonel James (px), 12
Realism (6th), 33 Firth Of Forth (px), 6 ran.
Nr. 7, 71, 10, 25. Ft Lee at Prestnique,
Total: E7.50- 22.30, 21.70, 21.20, Dir. Total 27.50; 22.30, 21.70, 21.20, DF: 27.50; 22.30, 21.70, 21.20, DF: 216.10 CSF 226.78. Tricast 259.42. 216.10. CSF: 225.76. Tricest: 299.42.
3.36 (2m of 180yd ct) 1, BORACCPA (J. Prost, 14-1); 2, Mister Christien (S. Esris, 13-2; 3, Tenesain (Mr. A. Sarsome, 11-1). ALSD RAK: 3 Fav Polyfemus (5th), 7 Over The Road (6th), 10 Midnight Hadness (f), Irish Lord (pu), 11 Secred Path (pu), Humbworth, 12 Woodgate (4th), 18 Ned Columbia (pu), 40 Bursampour (pu), 65 Queensey Boy (po), Fleeting Passion (pu), 14 res. NPE Sidoury HE, 15, 3, 22, 4, 5, 6 Beiding at Weyfall, Total: 210.70; 22.30, 52.40, 63.80. OF: 238.20, CSF: 52.46. Tricest: 5946.67.

Tricast: 2946.67.
4.9 (2m ct) 1, ELFAST (M. Lynch, 2-1 fav); 2. Georgic (D Galleginer, 3-1); 2. Creager (S J O'Nell, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 100-30 Sentopadre (R), 12 Flating Smack, 48th, 25 Carne Down (R), Coral Harbour (8th), Willowear, 50 impeccable Timing, 68 Bailinegore Gas, Decreto (Mr), Grundy Lene (par), Littlegood Ganshier (8th), 13 ran. NR: Intontain Shadow. 12, 12, 15, 14, 20, 13 Westber at Benbury, Tobic 22.80; £1.50, £2.10, £2.20. DF: £4.10. CSF: £8.33.

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4.36 (2m 4f ctg 1, EASTERN DESTRIY (Mr J Griffith, 15-5 fav; Mitchael Seely's sap); 2, Taem Approach (Mr A Sumorins, 40-1); 3, Count Frederick (Mr B Ciffich, 40-1); 3, Count Frederick (Mr B Ciffich, 40-1); 3, Count Frederick (Mr B Ciffich, 40-1); 3, Count Frederick (Mr B Ciffith, 40-1); 3, County (4th), 14 Mr Finnise (8th); 25 Camroc (pu), 50 Ragation (f), 100 Meeter Boon (pu), Oyster Pond (pu), 11 ran, 104; 3, 104 (ser, Mrs J Griffith at Derbligh, Tota: 52.80; 21.50, 26.70, 24.20, Dr; 256.40, CSF; 272.36. remove early, 20 Centrol (pag. 60) Register (f), 100 Meeter Boon (put.) 10 Meeter Boon (put.) Cyster Pond (put.) 11 ran. Diet. 3, 101, diet. Mrs.) Gritish at Denbigh. Totac 52.80. 51.50, 26.70, 24.20. 07: 206.40. CSF: 522.80. 51.50, 26.70, 24.20. 07: 206.40. CSF: 522.80. 51.50, 26.70, 24.20. 07: 206.40. CSF: 522.80. 51.50, 26.70, 26.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70, 27.70,

Jurac (pu), 40 Trecaudah, 50 Bally Frenchmen, Colonel O'Kelly, Idrease, Sr Noddy, Star Lans, (pu), Widnite (pu), Woodlands Genhire, First Review (5th), Shorephare Lady (8th), Sweet Neumh, Alcrel (4th), 20 ran. 151, 254, 101, 41, 101, Mrs J Plimen at Upper Lambourn, Totac 251, 10, 22,20, 23,90, 21,20. DR: 294,80. CSR: 231,94. Placepot: £327.80,

Sedgefield

Geing: good

2.15 (2m hclis) 1, LEACROFT (D Byrns, 7-2 ji-inv; 2, Prisarose Star (A Lamoch, 8-1); 3, The Fisser (I. O'Hare, 12-1). ALSO HAN: 7-2 pi-ter Yopsoil (ur), 7 Excellency, Oriental Express (5th), Sonairo (5th), 12 Cracitis Moor, 14 Introvert, Nobie Propoct, Red Pfisnet (pn), 33 Susan Henchard (4th), Lucky Lena, 50 Ousi Eclat, 100 Fill Folia. 15 Fan. Hd, 6t, 11, 32, 2th Haigh at Matton. Tote: 88.10; 92.20, 92.00, DP: 982.60. CSF: 933.65. Triesat: 230.02. No bid.

2.45 (2m 4f hclis) 1, WORKING SUCCESS (6f Hodge, 6-1); 2, Aeroes The Laito (Atr N Wilson, 6-1); 3, Asticet (A Carrol, 15-2). ALSO HAN: 5-2 tay Sonais Mo (5th), 13-2 Cosmic Ray, 12 Rockmartin, Trebonikers, 14 Rossie's Member, Wargame, 16 Equator (4th), Bigant Mary, 33 Trentar Lad (6th), 40 Grange Of Giory, 50 Samonia. 14 ray, 11, 3, 12, 12, 3, Mr. M Reveley at Mathon. Tote: 95.60; 21.80, 92.90, 92.70. DP: 231.20. CSF: 241.84. Tricast: 220.04.

3.15 (3m 4f ch) 1, SR JEST (C Grant, 3-1).

Tricast: 2260.04.

2.15 (3m 4f ch) 1, 5MR JEST (C Grant, 3-1); 2, Actione (A Carroll, 8-1); 3, The Langholm Dyer (C O'Hera, 4-5 isv), ALSO
RAN: 5 Solares (f), 25 Le Plume (6th), 5 ran, 5, 121, Ind. W A Suphenson at Bisingo Auxiliand. Tota: £3.90; £1.20, £250. Dr. 210.00. CSF: £20.98.

2.45 (2m 4f ch) 1, SWOND SEACH (I. Wyer, 13-6 isv); 2, Chockev (P A Farroll, 11-2; 3, Linkheiter Again Li O'Corman, 11-2; 3, Linkheiter Again Li O'Corman, 15-2; 3, Linkheiter Again Li O'Corman, 15-3; 3, Linkheiter Li Linkhe

3.45 (2m 4f ch) 1. SWORD SEACH (L. Wyer, 13-6 tar); 2. Chockew (P. A. Ferroll, 11-2; 3. Lightmater Agate 1) O'Corman, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 16-8 Bad Trade (4th), 10 Pura Money (8th), 20 Numerate (5th), 5 ran, 3, 19, dat, date, M. H. Easterby at Great Habten. Tote: C2.10; 21.80, 22.40. OP: 23.80, CSP: 19.94.

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4.15 (2m ch) 1, GLIEEN'S BAY LAD (J. Callaghan, 12-1); 2, Solichor's Choice (A. Ortney, 9-1); 3, Majustic Ring (D. Nolan, 6-1). ALSO RANK 7-4 J-fav Copeland Lad (8th). Master Salesman, 10 Holy King (8th), 20 Ungham Dules (4th), 33 Nipper Smith (pul, 100 Crossett Cruisacier, 9 an. 154, 4, 6th Jd. 4, 124, G. Moore at Mickleham, Tota: £10.00; £1.70, £1.90, £1.90. DP. £44.50, GSP. £105.28.

A46 (2m 41 hdis) 1, JUNIOR PARKER (T Morgan, 4-11 tan); 2, Assistante Run (B Dowling, 5-1); 3, Lany Tolum (Mrs. A Ferrel, 33-1); ALSO RAN: 14 Royal Invader (401), Eastern Missard (gu), Nicholsone (801), 20 Keoni, 33 Midd Bridges (801), 100 Hagler (I), Indomnity, Lady Tripale, 11 ran. S. S. 151, 23, 251, 31 Etherate at Roseon-Wys. Tota: 21,40; 91 sh. 6; 30 each 152 each 252 EDWARDS ST ROSS-ON-Wys. Total: \$1.40 \$1.10, \$1.80, \$2.90. DF: \$2.70. CSF. \$3.28.

Lingfield Park

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2.19(7f)1, ROYAL BRINK (J. Quine, 9-2);
2, Erik Odin (B Crossley, 5-1); 3, Welley
Lad (S Wood, 6-1), ALSO RAN: 4 by
Scots Law, 9-2 Quisen Of The Crub, 7
Starp Runner, 10 Captain Brown (5th),
Abigair's Dream (4th), 20 Broughing,
Angiorismational (6th), 25 Princess Jessica. 11 ran. 2, 4, hd, 4l, 2, M Ryan at
Newmerkst. Tota: 21.90, 22.20, 22.40,
21.10. DF: 213.10. CSF: 228.53. 1min
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2.40 (im 2) 1, RAPPORTEUR (S Wood, 3-1); 2, Nathre Flair (A Shoulte, 8-11 fay); 3, Fond (Ges (M Fry, 20-1), ALSO RAN-8 Sonic Signal (Ash), 10 Charburn (Gen), 33 Al Sherset (Sh), 6 ran, Nr. Sonic Lord, 174, 6, 77, 6, 61. C C Steep at Lambourn. Totac 23.50; 21.90, 21.10. DF: 21.70. CSF: 25.51. 2m 09.46sec.
2.10 (im) 1, REDIES CHARTER (F Cubre, 2-1 fay); 2, Evening Star (J Williams, 5-1); 3, Reinideer Walk (S Wood, 33-1), ALSO RAN-5 Concert Prich (Sth), 11-2 Lioff, 8 Talk Of Glory, 14 Orsetz, Robel Raiser (Sth), 25 Edgewiss, Singing Gold (4th, 11 ran, Nr. Yerlf Nogert, 25.4, 154, 3, 11, 104. K Carningham-Brown at Danebury, Totac 2-90; 21.70, 22.70; 27.80. DF: 210.50, CSF: 211.89, Tricast-225.86, 1min 41.14esc.
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3.40 (1m 2) 1, RECTILLON (M Hile, 5-6 tax; 2, Fuglish Solly (N Day, 20-1); 3, Points Of Law (A Munro, 4-1), ALSO HAN: 9-2 Hopeotich (8th), 12 Swift Shue (8th), 14 Port Shurer, 53 Use Doller (4th), Glebalands Girl, Miss Bas. 9 ran, 254, 174, 154, 2, sh hd. B Hills at Manton. Toter E1.90; 21.10, E1.50, 21.70. DF: 521.80, CSF: 217.85, Zmin 10.48sec.

Placepol: £78.30. • Magic Million; trained by Mick O'Toole, was laid to lose £50,000 for the Triumph Hurdle-by Ladbrokes yesterday and is now 12-1 from 20-1:

TODAY'S PORT-TO-POINT: Ross Harriers, Germons. 7m west of Herstord (1.80).



TENNIS

SPORT AND TELEVISION

insulted by ITN 'racist' overtones

failure to secure the rights for news coverage of the England Test match series in the West

The West Indies Cricket Board of Control rejected ITN's offer of £15,000 for the first three Tests because it was "insulting", according to Bill Sinrich, who negotiated broadcasting rights on the board's behalf.

"There are racial overtones here," he said, "The West Indies board feels it has been taken advantage of for a long time. The board is a blackdominated organizing body that feels there has been an arrogance of power in Britain.
The board thinks the white attitude is that the British can go in to its part of the world

and take from it without Paying.
"Now the board is finally it degetting what it thinks it deserves and only one organization refuses to acknowledge the world is changing - and that is ITN. It still wants to treat the board as a backwater,

ROWING

officials

re-elected

By a Special Correspondent

All the leading officials were re-

elected at the Amateur Rowing Association's Council meeting

in London yesterday in spite of the recent criticism of the ARA's

existing management by 18 big clubs at Leander.

many of the resolutions sug-gested by the Leander meeting were already being pursued by the ARA. There was no support,

however, for the idea of reg-istered members only having votes for central and regional

presentatives. There was better fianancial

Council members said that

Independent Television News by anyone else. The future will while BBC radio paid for the not be as the past has been." while BBC radio paid for the not be as the past has been." first time to broadcast ball-by-controversy last night after its the high price it was being asked for news rights - originally £50,000 - was out of Test cricket. proportion to the amount of

> It fears the West Indies tour could set a precedent and television news could be "priced out" from covering big sports events. ITN wants a distinction to be made being of big sport and lengthy

coverage of events.

But Sinrich, the senior vicepresident of Mark Mc-Cormack's Trans World International (TWI), said that ITN was out of touch with the new era in television.

The West Indies board lost between \$300,000 and \$400,000 every time England had toured the islands over the past decade. TWI offered to get live quality pictures out of the West Indies and back to Britain and sell the broadcasting rights for the present tour on behalf of the board.

Exclusive rights to live an ill-informed organization. coverage were subsequently honest truth is that our did it is not being treated like that purchased by Sky television pute is with TWI," he said.

vision bought the right to screen an evening summary of

TWI initially asked ITN for news bulletin coverage being £50,000 for news rights but subsequently reduced it to £32,5000, Sidrich said. "The West Indian board resents the ITN offer," he said. "It considers it insulting. It has been insulted by ITN and that is the crux of the matter. It tween television news report- thinks ITN is looking down its nose from on high and offering a pittance in the belief that it will be accepted, as in the past. This time the West

Indies board said no."

Sidrich, the executive producer in charge of the cricket coverage, ridiculed ITN claims that news coverage of top sport was in danger of being blacked out by the planned finanical free-for-all surrounding leading events. "I honestly believe that is a hysterical over-reaction." he said. "It will not happen

Stewart Purvis, the editor of ITN, strongly resented any suggestion of racism. "The honest truth is that our dis-

ICE SKATING

Top ARA Ito jumps towards world title victory

From John Hennessy, Halifax, Nova Scotia

for Katarina Witt in their affec-tions. She is Midori Ito, from Japan, who could hardly offer a greater contrast, both in appearance and performance.

Where the East German is tall, the Japanese is small, less than 4ft 9in. Where Witt, certainly towards the end of her presentation, Ito packs her programme with the most stunning achievements, from the triple axel downward. The jump has not been invented that she cannot do, and usually with flowing precision.

news from Mike Williams, the The rink here, at the world figure skating championships, is constructed for ice hockey, and treasurer, who reported that income and expenditure were "broadly on target for the current year". Doubts were is four metres short of the Olympic requirement of 30 metres in width, a common failing in North America, and MI group would continue to support international senior Ito, tiny though she is, resemrowing and funds could also be short for the lightwight and bles a big fish in a small pool.

She has developed such junior GV squads.

Beryl Crockford, Britain's astonishing power and speed, and such distance with her 1980s will succeed the late contain her. More than once she Roger Cuff, a council member has run out of space and clattered into the barrier. At for 16 years, as instructional committee chairman.

other times, she has had to guide • The Schools Head of the herself with hand on the barrier River at Putney today will include 133 eights and 126 fours. Hampton will defend the -, ox coward's: 5, Westminster; 6, Shrewsbury: 7, Pangbourne; 8, Shiplake; 9, Kingston GS; 10, Bryanston.

The skating public has lost little problem if I don't land a jump time in finding a replacement correctly," she said. The compulsory figures, which are to be held today, have

been a bane for Ito in the past but they have improved and, i Ito would now rank as high as fourth. That ought to see her home. She feels that even fifth place in the figures would not put her title in serious jeopardy. Two Americans offer the

main threat Jill Trenary, third last year, is an accomplished all-round skater, with, however, a fragile temperament which col-lapsed in Paris last year under tine Yamaguchi can match Ito's repertoire of jumps, but is fragile, not of temperament, but of physique. Sadly, British skating lives in

a different world, in the wom-en's event as in all others. It has been painful, sometimes, to watch Emma Murdoch at practice, her shoulders drooping with each successive failure. She is a fighter, though, and is

unlikely to capitulate under pressure of competition, but the technical limitations are stark. While others are considering which triple jump to use in the combination, and in what order, to stay upright.

She is, indeed, twice the skater, technically, that Witt ever was. Yet it is surprising to learn that her training rink at Nagoya is much the same size as the Metro Centre. "It is only a communication, and in what cross, Murdoch ponders whether she should go for broke with a triple, risking disaster, or recede into the comparative safety of a double axel. She has so much to learn and, at 18, not all that much time to learn it.

BADMINTON

Yates ends career on high note

After 106 international appearances. Nick Yates ended his distinguished career stretched international career with an emphatic victory in straight games over Aleksei Sidorov, the championships. games over Aleksei Sidorov, the Soviet No. 2, as England beat the Soviet Union 4-1 in the first match since losing her match since losing her Commonwealth title in Auckland

eights and the fours titles.

CREWS: 1, Hampton; 2, Etcn; 3, Emanuel; 4. St Edward's; 5, Westminster; 6,

FRANCE

SWITZERLAND

SNOW REPORTS

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Excellent skiing everywhere. Very good piste skiing in the Flaine Bow!

La Plagne 190 260 good good good sun 0 Good skiing everywhere, apart from main lift stations little or no queueing

Megève 30 220 good powder fair fine 9

Superb weather and good snow, best skiing on Cote 2000 Gelo 95 110 good varied good fine -5

Cold and bright, planty of snow, World Cup statom race tomorrow

SWITZERLAND
Arosa 105 150 good powder good fair
Excellent piste skiing, best this season, no queues
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closed others getting bare ren 50 130 good crusty open fine All lifts open giving powder skiing on Schitthorn and

Birg 25 180 good varied talr fair 2 Great skiling on upper slopes, a few worn and icy patches on lower slopes

SCOTLAND
Calmagoras: snow level, 2,000ft; vertical runs, 1,000ft. Runs: upper and middle, all complete, west snow; lower, nearly complete, lemhad nursery sneas; access roads oper; chairlifes, all operating except Winte Lady; tows, fice closed, rest open, Calemaker: anow level, 2,000ft; vertical runs, 1,000ft. Runs: upper only Tiger. Calmarail and Butcharis; lower, none complete; access roads open; chairlifes.

in the above reports, supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great Pritain, L refers to lower slopes and U to upper, and art to artificial.

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General show level, 2,000ft; vertical closed; tower, complete, hard pack toy packine; access complete, hard pack toy of the tower, complete, hard pack toy of the tower, could notely, their accasional outbreaks of rain, talking as show on higher stopes.

Poseible sunny intervals during the effer-noon, but further rain and snow is expected overnight. His fog will be widespread at times. Glenshee, Cam-gorm and Lecit will have a mixture of sun and rain showers, again falling as snow over higher slopes. Freezing levels will start off above surmiss, but will level off around 3,000ft. Winds at 2,000ft will be wegsterly freah to strong. with raise over

(cm) Conditions to +tell U Piste Off/P resort (5pm)

match since losing her of the two-match series at Milton Keynes on Monday land last month, beat Elena (Richard Eaton writes).

Yates, who has been the German, Canadian, and Dutch Open champion as well as (England names first): G Clark and G

Runs Weather Last to +temp snow resort (5pm) °C fail

Gowers bt V Pron and I Serova, 15-8, 15-9; H Troite bt E Rybkins, 11-8, 10-12, 11-3; A Goods and Gowers bt A Antropov and V Pron, 18-13, 15-3; N Yates bt A Sidorov, 15-7, 15-0; Goods and S Baddeley lost to Antropov and S Sewiukov, 11-15, 15-8, 5-4

Regatta sponsors The national schools rowing regatta, which takes place at Nottingham on May 26 and 27, will be sponsored by Aylings, the Surrey boatbuilders.

EQUESTRIANISM Poor prospect of medals

among drivers By Jenny MacArthur

George Bowman, who became national carriage driving cham-pion for the thirteenth time last year, heads the shortlist from which the team will be selected for this year's World Driving Championships, which are to be held in Stockholm from August

The squad of eight announced in London yesterday also in-cludes three former national champions in Alwyn Holder, Peter Munt and David Saunders. But Joe Moore, the chairman of the Horsedriving Trials committee, said yesterday it was not realistic to expect the British team to finish in the medals.

Although pre-eminent in the sport during its infancy, winning the gold medal at the 1972, 1974 the gold medal at the 19/2, 19/4, and 1980 world championships, Britain has been overtaken by stronger European teams, namely Netherlands, Hungary and Sweden.

"Some of the competition

abroad is now purely pro-fessional," Moore said, a point emphasized by Munt, who said one member of the Dutch team had paid more for one of the horses in his team than Munt paid for all four of his.

Munt, who works as a stuntman when not driving, is aiming for his third successive world championship with the same team of Dutch gelder-

Famous Grouse, which has supported carriage driving in Britain for the last 15 years, is withdrawing support from the national championships at the TEAM SHORTLIST: G Bowman, J. French, A. Holder, R. Mangrave, P. Munt, J. Richards, L. Ruddiman, D. Saunders.



Big names bite desert dust

From Richard Evans, Indian Wells, California

One of the most powerful fields yet assembled on the new ATP Tour was defeated on the opening day of the Newsweek Cup here at the Grand Champions

The defending champion, Miloslav Mecir, unseeded because of his low ranking, failed to survive the first round along with the No. 9 seed, Mats Wilander, the eleventh seed, Alberto Mancini, and Andrei Chesnokov, seeded No. 15. In addition, Michael Chang, the fifth highest ranked player in the draw, withdrew because of medical advice.

Happily for the sell-out crowds, the desert resort tourment should still have plenty of leading players to entertain them. Boris Becker, the winner here in 1987 and 1988, Stefan Edberg, Brad Gilbert, who flew in straight from winning the title in Rotterdam, Aaron Krickstein and Andre Agassi are still in contention for the \$125,000 (£76,000) first prize. Mecir led Richey Reneberg 7-

5, 2-0 before losing the last two sets 6-3, 6-3 to the talented American, who beat John McEnroe in Philadelphia two weeks ago.
Wikander, the No. 1 player of 1988, lost to his fellow-Swede, Jan Gunnarson, 7-6, 6-4 for only the second time in 11 meetings

searching for motivation.

Mancini, who prefers clay to

the cement courts here, went down to the big serve-and-volleyer, Mikael Schapers, of The Netherlands. Off court, the political activity

Smith serves notice of her return at 100mph is rejected her return at 100mph From Barry Wood, Boca Raton, Florida

While the attention of the tennis the first round of the Virginia Slims of Florida.

In a match of high quality the outcome was decided in Smith's favour only when her Italian opponent was seized with cramp world has been directed towards the growing number of teenagers playing at the highest level, with Monica Seles, Arantxa Sanchez Vicario and Jennifer Capriati to opponent was serzed with cramp in the tie-break and could barely walk. Because of the cramp, which had started in the second set, she received a penalty point at 2-1 in the tie-break for game delay, having been warned earlier for coaching. the fore, the achievements of a 30-year-old veteran have gone

largely unnoticed.
Anne Smith's career, which includes doubles titles at each of the grand slam events, was almost destroyed by injury in the latter part of the Eighties, but she has recovered to become

a big force.

Having retired temporarily because of disillusionment with the game in the early 1980s when at the height of her success, she re-entered the top 30 this week, defeating the Wimbledon quarter-finalist, Laura Golarsa, 4-6, 6-3, 7-6 in

defend their title in the British Universities Sports Federation

Universities Sports Federation tournament starting in Edinburgh on April 3.

Ian Smith, the Sheffield centre half, is a Warwickshire county player and throughout the season has set up a number of chances for the centre forward Troy, who has already scored 29 goals for the team this season.

goals for the team this season. He is also an expert at short

executive director, Hamilton Jordan, due to step aside shortly, the tour board was discussive and the state of the state o The two leading contenders appear to be Mark Miles, the popular event in Indianapolis, and Jerry Solomon, a senior executive at Donald Dell's management agency. Pro Serve.

was no less hectic. With the ATP

RESULTS: First round: G Ivanisovic (Yag) bt M Jake (Arg), 6-1, 6-4; M Schapers (Neth) bt A Mancini (Arg), 6-4, 6-1; K Carren (US) bt A Agenor (Hein), 6-4, 6-2; Arles (US) bt Denie Visser (SA), 0-6, 7-8, 6-4; R Reneberg (US) bt M Mack (C2), 5-7, 6-8, 6-3; B Dylas (Aus) bt L Duncan (US), 4-6, 6-2, 1-Pugh (US) bt A Volkov (USSR), 4-6, 6-2, 7-6; S Davis (US) bt M Wilander (Swe), 7-6, 6-4; S Erugera (Sp) bt M Wilander (Swe), 7-6, 6-4; S Erugera (Sp) bt K Novacek (C2), 7-5, 6-2; B Peacce (US) bt A Cheenolovy (USSR), 4-4, 3-6, 6-4.

by youngsters

The LTA's proposal to scrap the 16-and-under junior champion-ships has been overwhelmingly ships has been overwareningly, rejected by the junior players (Andrew Longmore writes). In a survey published in the April-May issue of Tennis In a survey published in the April-May issue of Tennis World magazine, 94 per cent of 352 players who were selected for national junior championships last year said that the 16-and-under age category should be kept and 68 per cent called for the continuation of the national invites of the national invites of the national invites.

"It is only a proposal," Ian Peacock, the executive director of the LTA, said. "The whole matter of the structure of junior championships is still under discussion, but obviously we shall have to take these views into account."

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Smith, a Texan, had led 5-2 in

the third set but Golarsa worked her way back to lead 6-5 with

almost describe rushes to the almost describe rushes to the net and excellent passing shots down the line. A feature of Smith's game was her first service, which was recorded at more than 100mph.

Troy a danger for Sheffield

By Sydney Friskin

Loughborough have a big final they beat Durham on advantage in experience over penalty strokes and were taken Sheffield in today's Commercial to extra time before they de-Union UAU championship final at Coventry School, where a series of other finals will be victory over University College placed the percent the day. final. Sheffield achieved a 1-0 victory over University College London in the quarter-final and Land scored the only goal of the match in the semi-final victory played throughout the day.

In the Loughborough side are
Langston, a former England
Under-21 goalkeeper, and two over Swansea.
Sheffield have reached the Welsh internationals in Owen and David Mackney. In addition they have Lee, Zander and Kerry, all members of the Combined UAU side ready to

shetheld have reached the final only once before, in 1972 when they shared the title with Loughorough who have won it outright on nine occasions. They also shared it with Birmingham in 1954 and Exeter in 1986.

in 1986.

In the women's final, Birmingham, who have not won the title since 1974, are at full strength, with Ruth Pilkington, their England Under-21 forward, in good forms. Loughborough, champions for the last two seasons, will have to give a late fitness test to their central defender. Karen Wilkinson, who has an ankle injury. Otherwise, they name the same Otherwise, they name the same squad that beat Swansea 7-1 in

the semi-final. It includes two England players, Clare Slater and Alleen Claxton.

• Ian Jennings, who was the leading scorer in the European indoor club championship at Amiens last weekend, annuar any and a state of the leading state of th Amiens last weekend, announced yesterday that he had played his last game for St Albans. He will play for Old Loughtonians both outdoors and indoors next season.

● Continuing their programm of evaluation and assessment, the Hockey Association has selected a youthful side for its annual match at Reading today against London University. So far this season the young England team has drawn 2-2 with Combedien Heinstein and La Cambridge University and 1-1 with Oxford.

HOCKEY ASSOCIATION IX: J Barrew (Indian Gynshana); W Wangis (Wellington College and Southgate), J Cases (Bournville), P McGaire (Feddington), A Stevenson (Isca), J Hauck (Kingston GS), S Nickin (Sk William Borisse and Sough), R Davis (Littled School), D Philips (Exter School and Isca), N Carssingham (Gloucastr), C Sage (Frebrands), D Woods (The Leys and Cambridge City).

Loughborough, despite their experience, have struggled to reach the final. In the quarter-Army's chance to take fourth title

The women's inter-services championship starts today at St Ives, Cambridgeshire, with the Navy, under the captaincy of the experienced PO Wren Ludford, taking on the Army het were navy lost to the Army bet were navy. NAY front: C Wen Johnson, PC Wee Ludlord (ceptain), PC Wen Boss, PC Wen Jack, L Wen Boughton, L Wen Vout, L Wen Parry, L Wran Proudey, L Wen Watts, L Wren Blake, L Wren Banner, L Wren Pye, L Wren Commerstutzen, L Wren Worstey, L Whan Garne, Wen Rust, Wen Lagden, Wen Barron. lost to the Army last year and to the RAF, who stole the title at Sarron.

Arany (from): Lt Finney, Lt Herron, Lt Souch, WO Smith, Sqt Sleightholme, Sqt Lee, Sqt Rees, Sqt Smith, Col Druce, Cpl Jones, Cpl Neylor, Cpl Watton, L/Cpl Settes, L/Cpl Camping, L/Cpl Grant, L/Cpl Mullet, L/Cpl Peerce, L/Cpt Quinton, Pie Harrison, Pie Naste, Pie Nest, Pie Plessame. The Army, once the Cin-derella of the Services (they have only won three times since the championship began in 1957), have seven of their victorious 1988 team in the

 Margaret Medlow, the former Great Britain international, has been appointed development officer for hockey in Wales. The a member of the Swansea club. has considerable experience of hockey in the Principality both on and off the field.

on and off the field.

A former Wales captain, she was a key figure in the national side for over 12 years before departing the international scene in 1987. Modlow then a qualified as an advanced coach.

RUGBY UNION

Student cup final delayed by need for crowd control

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

The final of the Bruish Polytechnics Cup, originally scheduled to take place today, has been set back a week to ensure suitable ground conditions. Sheffield will now play the South-West Polytechnic, from Plymouth, at Sutton Coldfield on March 14, the same day as the Universities Athletic Union

West London Institute (formerly Borough Road) meetly Bristol University. Should the university win, they will become the inaugural champions, but defeat would bring St Paul's and St Mary's College, from Cheltenham, into the equation.

The first season of the student league, which embraces two been set back a week to ensure suitable ground conditions. Sheffield will now play the South-West Polytechnic, from Plymouth, at Sutton Coldfield on March 14, the same day as the Universities Athletic Union knockout final between Loughborough and Swansez at Twickenham.

standing suggested initially that no cup finals could be played on grounds which were not fenced side only, but it has now been agreed that the remainder of the ground will be roped off and the polytechnics will supply staff members to bein marshall the This latter precaution, too,

stems from the trouble which arose a year ago when the cup final, between the Polytechnic of Wales and Bristol, was held at Saracens. There was much bad behaviour off the pitch, as well as on it, and as a consecue nol will be permitted on the nd at Sutton Coldfield. ground at Sutton Colonesc.
"I hope the games will go ahead in an orderly fashion," Rob Llewellyn, the organizer of the match venues for the first, second and third-team finals, said yesterday. "We are cer-tainly aiming to comply with the British Polytechnic Sports Association instructions and we have had no trouble at any of the games this season."

Meanwhile the championship

of the national student league could be decided today when

leagne, which embraces two national divisions, two regional divisions, two regional divisions in the south and two in the north, has been "erratic in parts", according to Derek MorkFU. Not all the reading stu-dent clubs participate, partly for geographical reasons and the strain travel places on their financial resources, partly because of previous involve-

ment in local leagues or the strength of their fixture lists. But the SRFU is pleased that four of the six divisions have funconed very well.

Many of the leading student Many of the leaning states players assemble once more next week in the guise of English Universities, who play Scottish Universities on March 16 at the Edinburgh University ground, Peffermill. Tim Springhall, from University College, London, has been chosen at scrum half but been chosen at scrum half but otherwise the XV is unchanged from that which beat the Welsh

Cup semi-final for **National Stadium**

By Owen Jenkins

The Welsh Rugby Union has decided that the Schweppes Cup semi-final between Neath, the holders, and Swansea will be played at the National Stadium on April 7. The other tie, between Aberavon and Bridgend, will be held at Stradey Park, Lianelli, on the same day.

The ground canacity at the "Well also discussed playing both there, either on Saturday and Sunday, or on the same day.

The ground canacity at the "Well disconsider a double-" The ground capacity at the National Stadium will be reduced to 32,000 for safety reasons, because Cardiff have a

Denis Evans, the WRU Secretary said: "The whole of the North Side will be blocked off, and we are now negotiating with find a compromise. Maybe we could have a 4 o'clock kick-off for the cup match."

Numerous permutations of enjoyed playing on the Sunday grounds and days were looked but whichever day they tell us to

factors we decided to revert to

nome fixture against Notting and Stradey for the other," ham on the same afternoon at the adjoining Arms Park. couldn't go anywhere but the National Stadium for Neath and Swansea. The crowd for the match between Aberavon and Cardiff about kick-off times. It would be footish to have both at Stradey was the only one left the same time so we are trying to with a capacity exceeding

12,000."
Alun Donovan, the Swansea

Mobbs match devalued by too many demands

The demands of national squads and league rugby have made an impression on both sides who contest the annual Mobbs mecontest the annual Mobbs memorial match at Northsmpton today (David Hands writes).

The East Midlands will field no players from Northsmpton, whose league match with Coventry at the weekend is crucial to their horse of prospection to the

consequence of competitive side.

rugby when traditional fixtures such as this are eroded. Last

British Lion last year while both

their hopes of promotion to the first division, while four original choices have withdrawn from the Barbarians XV.

It is a said but inevitable competitive of competitive side.

who were in short supply (though not so short as North-

St Mary's are ready

Although they have been anything but convincing so far, St Many's, the holders for the past three years, are expected to beat The Loudon in the Hospitals Cup final on the Loudon Welsh ground at Old Deer Park today (Gordon Allan writes).

The Loudon, runners-up last year, have made one change, with Isaac replacing Liewellyn at full back. St Mary's keep the team which struggled against Charing Cross-Westminster in Pamore, WMARister.

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Hunter leads the chase as holders reach final

yesterday.

They will meet the winners of tomorrow's second semi-final between Campbell College and Wallace High School at the same venue, which will also host the final on Monday, March 19.

The powerful college pack was the architect of victory. Solid in the scrum, it drove a maul in splendid style against doughty opponents in a thoroughly entertaining match that even a strong wind failed to disrupt.

Craig Hunter was an inspira-tion at No. 8 and captain for the winners, but the artist on the field was the Ballymena standoffhalf, David Humphreys, A ley har member of the Ulster Schools side, the talented Humphreys his osteam. footballer.

By George Ace

Methodist, Belfast 7

Ballymena Academy 7

Methodist College, the holders of the Ulster Bank Schools Challenge Cup, reached the final with a win by one goal, two tries and a penalty goal to a try and a penalty goal to a try and a penalty ar Ravenhill yesterday.

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Clayton ousted

Whyte. Referee: B Stirling.

Ray Clayton has been forced to resign as coach of Tredegar, after the chub's poor results over the past few weeks. Ryan Buckley has also quit as captain of the Gwent club, disillusioned with his own form and that of his

Sempey, the left wing, finshed off a stirring move with a
St Helens, unbeaten in eight

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the end of the third match.

Linfield in the mood for a swift recovery

By George Ace

Apart from adding the names of Jim Granan and Hocine Yahi to his Linfield squad for tonight's Budweiser Cup final against Glentoran at Windsor Park, Roy Coyle, the manager, is not making any great fiss about his team's 5-1 eclipse at the weekend by Ballymena United.
"I will have a few words to say to the team before the match," Coyle said. "But no Linfield side needs any hyping up when it's a Cup final and Glentoran are the opposition. It has been proved

opposition. It has been proved time and again that current form sints for nothing when the

mance against Ballymena we couldn't be fancied to beat anybody. But there will be no repeat of that display against Gientoran."

Darrin Coyle has recovered from his unhappy experience against Ballymena where he was struck twice with the ball, once struck twice with the mut, diagonal full on the mouth and then on the windpipe. He swallowed quite a lot of blood and was

Glentoran have one big worry. Their veteran goal-keeper, Paddy Paterson, due to make his 400th appearance for the club, is a doubtful starter with hamstring trouble. Dean Smyth stands by.
There is unlikely to be any repeat of last season's Budweiser

Cup final at the Oval when Linfield were beaten 6-1 by

Gienavon. There may be only a Meanwhile, Distillery so long the whipping boys of the Irish League, are starting to take shape under Billy Hamilton, a man quietly fancied to take over from Billy Bingham as Northern

Ireland's next team manager.
A 3-0 away win - their first of the season - against Coleraine at the weekend was followed on at the weekend was followed on Monday night by a devastating 4-2 home win over the league leaders, Portadown, in a second round Cawoods Co Antrim Shield tie. Bangor, the holders of the Shield, had a 1-0 away win over Carrick Rangers in another second round tie, David Eddis scoring the all important goal early in the first half.

A broken leg is no handicap

ian football coach, said yes-terday that he intended to select Romario for his World Cup komano ar his wordt cap squad despite the striker's bro-ken leg. Romario fractured a calf bone after scoring twice in PSV Eindhoven's 9-2 victory over Den Haag in a Dutch league match on Sunday.

Lazaroni, who announces his 22-strong squad for Italy on April 16, said: "Romario will be called up and he will be present when training starts on April 23." The team doctor, Lidio Toledo, told a news conference that Romario's chances of play-ing in the World Cup were "100

After speaking with the PSV doctor. Toledo said he thought Romario would remain in plaster for four weeks and would then require a further two weeks' physiotherapy before resuming training. Romario is suspended from Brazil's open-ing World Cup match against Sweden on June 10 after being sent off in a qualifier against Chile last August.

O PARIS: Hugo Perez, the American player, may miss this summer's World Cup finals in Italy after breaking a leg in a match on Saturday (Reuter risports). Perez, who plays for the French second division side, Red Star of Paris, broke a fibula of the coming on esta second division. after coming on as a second-half substitute in the 2-1 victory at

Gueugnon.
The El Salvador-born player,
a naturalized Ubited States
citizen, said he would be in plaster for three to six weeks but still had hones of being fit in still had hopes of being fit in time for the finals. He said it would be up to the US federation to decide whether he should go to Italy. The US have qualified for the World Cup finals for the first time in 40

West Ham United play for their pride in semi-final return

Even the most fanatical sup-porter of West Ham United is unlikely to nurture any hope of Billy Bonds's team overcoming the 6-0 first-leg deficit incurred at Oldham Athletic in tonight's Littlewoods Cup semi-final second instalment at Upton

As Bonds said: "You have to be realistic - Oldham are a very good side, who have beaten first division opponents in cups this season, and are probably on their way to the first division.

"We are playing for pride, and for the 6,000 supporters who travelled to Boundary Park, and were so let down. The forward, Rosenior, debili-tated by injury of late, is poised to lead the West Ham attack in what will be only his

The professionalism of Joe Royle, the Oldham manager, was evidenced by his pre-match message. "I want my team to reach Wembley in style," he insisted. "I want us to go out there and attack from the first whistle. If my players think they can cruise in this second leg, then they are in for a big surprise, because I shall have no hesitation at all in bringing them off."
Rhodes, the reserve goal-

keeper, is a likely substitute, while Ritchie, who has a groin

ter a riot between supporters of Juventus and Liverpool be-fore the European Cup final.

Tonight the Italians may rely on two Dutchmen. Van Basten in attack and Rijkaard in de-

fence, to enhance their chances

of retaining the trophy. How-ever, they will be without Gullit, who is injured. Mechelen

are bound to miss Koeman, who

their Dutchmen

AC Milan will become the first Germany. PSV head the Dutch

AC Milan will become the first Germany. PSV head the Dutch Italian club to play in the Heysel Stadium since 1985 when they meet Mechelen, the Belgian champions, in a European Cup quarter-final first leg tie tonight.

The stadium has been chosen because Mechelen's ground is too small to accommodate a crowd expected to be in excess of 30,000. Five years ago 39 spectators, mainly Italians, died after a riot between supporters.

is similarly side-lined. in the fourth quarter-final. The PSV Eindhoven, AC Milan's Portuguese side expect to field

predecessors as European Cup Them, of Switzerland, and San-holders, will field only five tos, of Brazil, in a cosmopolitan

Dutchmen in another quarter-final first leg at Bayern Mu-swedes, three Brazilians, and an nich's Olympic Stadium in west Angolan.

Leading bodies unite

for good of the game

The leading bodies are joining forces to protect and promote the national game. The leaders of the Football Association, Football League and players' union, determined that football will leisure pursuits will," he said.

determined that football will start the next century on a strong base, aim to pool their resources by the start of next season and launch a big community programme.

"It is up to us to make sure that we keep our market share and protect ourselves as the major spectator and participant sport." Gordon Taylor, the chief

injury, faces a late fitness test.

Ten points behind but can take consolation that Liverpool, with only eleven games left, Arsenal's defence of the championship is looking increasingly implausible. In central defence, Kilcline, Tonight, they entertain a Nottingham Forest side level on points in third place, and boasting not only a superior goal difference, but an April appearance in the Littlewoods

What is more Brian Clough's side last lost at Highbury in The Forest manager insists that the championship is "not a two horse race", and victory in north London would leave his players a bridgeable seven points behind Liverpool.

Cup final to look forward to.

Having failed to score in their last five games, things can only improve for an Arsenal team in which George Graham, the manager, is likely to resist the temptation of introducing Campbell, in place of Smith, in attack. History, if nothing else, is on Smith's side, the centre forward having scored on each of the past three meetings be-

tween the pair.
Nottingham, who replace the injured Chettle with Wilson, could be without the inspiration usually provided strain, in midfield.

pions, take their quarter-final European challenge to Bulgaria.

where they face Steam Bu-charest, the league leaders, who

will have to contend with the multi-million pound-talents of-Papin, Waddle, Francescoli, and

Benfica, whose two European

cup successes date back more than 25 years, entertain Dnepro-

petrovsk, of the Soviet Union,

Football has had to face up to

NATIONAL LEAGUE (1891.): New York Rangers 3, Detroit Red Wings 2; Calgary Flames 5, Los Angeles Kings 0.

LACROSSE

LUTON: National schools tremament:
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Edriburgh 3, St Helen and St Katherine,
Abingdon 1. Rissit Lady Beanor Holles 4. St
Georges 1, Len Smith Cup Junior): Semi-finals: Lady Eleanor Holles 12, North Foreiand
Lodge, Besingstole 0; St Helen and St
Katherine 2, Lady Beanor Holles 8 1. Finet-Lady Beanor Holles 2, St Helen and St
Katherine 1.

NORDIC SKIING TRONDHERM, Norway: World Cap: 15tm crose country: 1. A Profusorov (USSR), 40tm; 236c; 2. G Svan (Swe), 40, 13.2.3, C Maghasck (Swe), 40, 18.1, Owenit, 1, V Usway (Nor), 133pts; 2, Svan, 119; 3. B Deetsi (Nor), 118.

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BRANHALL, Henchester, Serve and Volley men's satellite tournament: First round; C Carati(II) of R Whichello, 6-3, 6-1; D Ireland by

OTTISH UNDER-21 DISTRICT CHAMP-ISHEP: South 25, Glasgow 10.

S MATCHES: Merchant Taylors' 95, Modern 107: Radioy 80, Melvern 52, n 103, Giggleswick 80.

by Hodge, who has an ankle

In central defence, Kilcline, who has a knee injury, is also highly doubtful, so Billing could return to the first team,

With relegation starting to look a probability, rather than a possibility, Luton Town could have done without a visit from the men who knocked the wind out of Aston Villa's championship sails during Sunday's 2-0 win at Highfield Road.

Newcastle United are one of several candidates who would like to see themselves included in the geography of the first division next season. They prefer Gallacher, the young Scottish winger, to Fereday, once of Queen's Park Rangers, at home to Hull City. Anderson is expected to recover from an ear infection to take his place in defence. Leeds United may have

stuttered over the past fortsecond division leadership which they hope to extend against Port Vale. Aspin, of Vale, is hoping to pass a fitness test, which will give him the chance to foil his Coventry City may be without Livingstone, suffering right back position.



Poised to return: Leroy Rosenior, of West Ham United, hopes to come back after injury

AC Milan rely on Leeds strengthen squad by enlisting Italian player

Nista, aged 25, plays for Pisa, who are top of the Italian second division, but he is keen to permanent move to English

"I had not heard of him but he was recommended to us, so we have brought him over here for a couple of weeks to take a good look at him," Howard Wil-kinson, the Leeds manager, said. Leeds have only two senior goalkeepers on their books: Mervyn Day and Neil Edwards. Wilkinson denied that he had approached Arsenal, the League champions, to discuss the availability of Paul Merson, who is believed to be unsettled at Highbury. "I certainly have not made a bid for him," he

Coyle forced to retire

Liam Coyle, one of the brightest hopes in the Irish game, is to retire (George Ace writes). Coyle, aged 21, has been forced out of the game by a serious knee injury.

That he had a clitterine fature

injury.

That he had a glittering fature is beyond doubt, as was the certainty that he would cross the Irish Sea to further his career. His dream has been shattered as every diagnosis from the several specialists he has seen confirm that his footballing days are

Graham Roberts, the Chelsea defender, was last night fined two weeks' wages by his club for "a breach of his Football League

The Football Association is asking for his views on comments made by him, or attributed to him, after his written

request to resign as player-coach and to seek a transfer two weeks

Alessandro Nista, an Italian under-21 international goal-keeper, yesterday began a two-week trial period with second division Leeds United (Ian Ross up to nine months out of the game after being injured against Crystal Palace on Saturation urday when he substituted for Paul Gascoigne. Robson, aged 20, who joined Tottenham from Exeter City for

£50,000 in 1987, goes into hospital today for an operation on knee ligament injuries sus-tained when he collided with Nigel Martyn, the Crystal Palace

ham physiotherapist, said there was a complete tear of one of Robson's ligaments, but the exploratory operation this morning could reveal more

"If our worst fears are re-alised, it could be that Mark will be out for nine months," he ● Ian Woan, the Runcom mid-

2 testimonial for the player later in the season said: "It is a real fragedy. Liam was probably the best player ever to wear the Candy stripes of Derry City. He looked destined to become one of

the transfer list after several

discussions with the player in the days after the Zenith Data

Systems southern final, first leg

last two games, against Manchester United and Southampton, because of a groin injury sustained at Selhorst Park.

Middlesbrough bave banned

Peter Davenport, their record

signing, from Ayresome Park for

The disciplinary measure was

Roberts has missed Chelsea's

game at Crystai Palace.

field player, agreed to join Nottingham Forest for £80,000 yesterday after rejecting Bournedidn't have to think twice," he said. "I must admit feeling guilty about letting Bournemouth down, but it's a dream move for me."

The Bournemouth manager, Harry Redknapp, criticized the GM Vauxhall Conference play-er's decision. "I don't think this a deal and shaken hands on it. I then had a phone call from Runcorn saying that Forest were see them.

• The Brighton side which reached the 1983 FA Cup final will re-assemble in a testimonial for the former goalkeeper, Graham Moseley, against Totten-ham at The Goldstone ground

team.
Moscley's career was cut short by injuries sustained in a car accident after he joined Cardiff City. He spent nine seasons with Brighton and made over 200

 West Bromwich Albion have signed the Sheffield Wednesday midfield player, Craig Shakemonth player, chair stake-speare, who has just completed a month on loan at The Haw-thorns, for £275,000. Shake-speare, 27, moved to Hillsborough last summer for £300,000 from Walsall.

and the player would benefit."

asked for a better reward than Manchester United on home soil." be added. Roberts is punished by Chelsea Alex Ferguson, the Manchester United manager, yesterday warned his side relayed to the player in a letter

egainst complacency in Sunday's game. from the club secretary, Tom Hughes, yesterday, Bruce Rioch, "We are expecting a very tough match because Sheffield the manager, would not divulge the reasons behind the move, but said: "He has indicated that we should work hard to try to sell him and we will consider offers. Perhaps both the club United are a very physical team," he said. "Our task will not be an easy one. We have watched them in all three of their games against Barnsley and their format and pattern did

Cup test in

store for

Bassett

Dave Bassett's belief that he has fashioned Sheffield United into

a side that would prove itself to be more than capable of hold-

ngs its own in the first division will be the subject of a rigorous, if welcome, examination at

Bramali Lane on Sunday

On Monday night, United

who occupy an outright a promotion place in the second

division, overcame Barnsley, their South Yorkshire neigh-

boars, in an FA Cup fifth round, second replay at Oakwell. The big prize is a home, sixth round

tie against struggling Manchester United of the first

division.
Although Sheffield and Barns-

ley are separated by almost the entire length of the division they occupy, it took a Tony Agana penalty in the first minute of

a frenetic local derby.
"I fancied that it would take

settle it because there had been little or nothing between the

teams over the course of the

three games. Barnsley deserve great credit for making it very difficult for us," Bassett said.

"Having reached the last eight

of the competition we now have one of the big games to look forward to. We could not have

ething like a penalty to

extra time to divide the t

Davenport, a £700,000 buy from Manchester United 16 months ago, has been on and off the transfer list since last summer. But the only club to express not change at all. "They may be a second division club but they have division club but they have proved themselves to be dangerous, and if we are not at our very best we could find our-selves out of the competition." an interest in recent months has been Sheffield Wednesday.

Garry Schofield's dream of returning to play for Great Britain after a year and a half disrupted by injuries came nearer to fruition yesterday. Schofield, who had to fly home with a fractured check bone after the first international in Sudgrey in the summer of bone after the first international in Sydney in the summer of 1988, has fought back from a series of injuries to produce some inspiring displays for Leeds, and he has been named in the Great Britain squad for the match against France at Perpignan a week on Sunday. Malcolm Reilly, the Great Britain coach, introduces two notential new caps into the Britain coach, introduces two potential new caps into the squad. They are Graham Steadman, the Castleford half back, and the young Wigan forward, Demais Betts, who has four under-21 caps. Steadman and Betts have both survived recent serious injuries to win their places. Steadman suffered a depressed fracture of the cheek bone in the notorious incident against Whitehaven.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Schofield

returns to

GB squad

in France

By Keith Macklin

Whitehaven.
Reilly has otherwise stood by tried and trusted men who played under him in Australia and against New Zealand, with Ford, Newlove, Ward and David Hulme not considered because of form problems. Ellery Hanley regains the cap-taincy on his return from injury. Steadman will earn Feather-stone Rovers an extra £25,000 if he gets his full cap since his transer from Rovers to

ers, three backs and four for wards, in the squad.

BOXING

A leading TV role for Laing

British welterweight title against the unbeaten, Trevor Smith, at London's Grosvenor House Ho-

tel on March 27.
The contest will be the first sporting event to be acceened live by BSB, which starts broadcasting its sports channel on the same day.

Laing's bout also marks the beginning of an agreement be-tween BSB and Jarvis Astaire's hour boxing shows to be screened every Tuesday throughout the year.
Laing, aged 35, will be returning to the ring after suffering a

can substitute, Buck Smith, in January. Trevor Smith, aged 27, from Harlow, has scored 14 wins as a professional and is the southern area champion.

"He is a bit powerful for a young man," Laing said. "He has also got a lot of bottle, but my sheer class will overcome him. My last defeat hurt me mentally for two weeks and I don't want it to happen again. The joke is over - it's serious

Smith said: "I watched Laine get beat by Buck Smith and I must admit it was quite a shock, but I wish it had been me doing

but I wish it had been me doing that in the ring to Laing."

Astaire has guaranteed the winner of the Laing-Smith contest a European title challenge against the Frenchman, Antoine Fernandez, who recently took the title off Nino La Rocca, later in the year.

Sunderland will stage the IBF superflyweight title bout between the holder, Juan Polo Pérez, of Colombia, and the American, Robert Quiroga. The contest will take place on April 7 at Crowtree Leisure Centre. bantamweight champion, lost a split decision there when he challenged Oriando Cahizales

for the IBF bantamweight title

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major spectator and participant sport." Gordon Taylor, the chief

executive of the Professional Footballers' Association, said.

"The game needs to present a united front and it's a case of pulling the threads together,"
Taylor said.

"We are all aware that foot-ball participation in schools has

WORLD ILANGINGS: 1, G Norman (Aus); 2, N Fatch (CB); 3, S Ballestance (Sc); 4, C Strange (US); 5, P Savvart (US; 5, Y Kits (US); 7, 1 Wooman (CB); 8, P Actings (US); 5, T in Colorabel (Sc); 10, M Calcardothe (US); 11, M Colorabel (US); 11, M Colorabel (US); 13, D Frost (SA); 14, C Beck (US); 15, A Lyle (CB); 13, D Frost (US); 17, A Lyle (CB); 18, 2, F Couples, S316,677; 3, P Jacobbes, S394,310; 4, G Norman (Aus), S381,790; M Calcardothia, S281,040; 6, M CTMosra, \$276,195; 7, T Armour, \$203,980; 8, D Forsman, \$203,980; 9, T Singon, \$193,051; 10, R Gamez, \$189,050.

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its responsibilities after the Hillsborough report, but Taylor added: "We shouldn't lose sight of the good things that already have been happening. Attendances are on the increase and I would like to think that it's partly because eight are excited. Bobby Campbell, the Cheisea manager, accepted Roberts' rebeen, and may continue to be, parity because clubs are saying: diminished. We are looking to 'We've got to do more than clubs as a stronger focal point provide a winning team'." quest to stand down as coach and also agreed to put him on HOCKEY LUCKINOW, India: India: Gendhi Gold Cup seeth tournement: India 1, South Korea 1; Japan 4, Poland 3, Fleet positions (after 5 matches): 1, India, Spts; 2, South Korea, 8; 3,

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BOCA RATON, Florida: Women's tour-nament: First round: N Guerne (Fr) bt R Zrubskova (Cz), 4-8, 6-4, 6-4, 5 Locusmore (GB) bt E Reinach (SA), 6-3, 6-1; N Provisi (Aua) bt I Demonipact (Fr), 6-4, 6-3; T Whitelinger (US) bt S Nect (WG), 6-1, 6-1, 5-7, 8-2, 6-2 B Futco (Ara) bt K Quentrue (Fr), 7-5, 6-4; D Van Rensburg (Zem) bt W Prober (WG), 6-1, 6-3, 3, S Hamlat (WG) bt E De Leone (US), 6-4, 6-1; J Weener (Austria) bt T Phelipa (US), 6-1, 6-4, R Simpcon (Card) bt P Vasquez (Penu), 8-1, 6-4 4-P.4. Harper (US) bt S Science (US), 6-4, 6-3, 3-3, N Jagarman (Ment) bt S Salation (US), 6-4 6-3; R N Jagarman (Ment) bt S Salation (US), 6-4 6-5; E Incue (Jap) bt J Prespisalove (CZ), 6-2, 6-3, 7-3, 7-4, A Smith (US) bt A Kiffrazza (Japa, 6-3, 7-4, A Smith (US) bt L Goldense (tr), 4-6, 6-3, 7-4

Y Noah (Fr), \$58,104; 18, J McCarrole (US), \$96,800.
WOMMEN'S WORLD RAMKONGS: 1, S. Graf (WG); 2, M Norvations (US); 3, G. Sabstani (Arg); 4, Z Garrison (US); 5, A Samchaz (So), 6, M Soles (Yug); 7, M Melesene (Sovet); 8, M J Fernandez (US), 9, C Martinez (So); 10, H Sukone (US); 13, M J Fernandez (US), 9, C Martinez (So); 10, H Sukone (US); 13, M Zenandez (USS); 14, P Samcre (US); 15, H Rades (Can); 16, N Tazziat (Fr); 17, B Pisukus (Austria; 18, R Reggy (R); 19, H Marrastonu (Aus); 20, A Prazziar (US); WITA: Leading meany winders: 1, M Narrastonu (US); 257, 250; 2165,000; 2, S Graf (WG), SZAB, 87; 1, M Haller (US); 10, STO, 10, STO, 10, SSC, Son, 1, M J Fernandez (US); 370, 797; 8, Z Garrison (US); 380, 111, A Prazziar (US); 352, 87; 10, C Fernandez (US); 33, 854; 1, A Frazziar (US); 552, 77; 12, D Van Rensburg (SA), 82, 89; 11, A Frazziar (US); 552, 77; 12, D Van Rensburg (US); 349, 864; 14, P Street (US); 367,001; 15, A Sarrohaz Vicario (Sp), 348,800.

From Colin McQuillan

upon the British champion in the second and third garrillustrated why. "Then he seemed to lose his line of sight," Harris said. "I took the pace down in the fourth and started floating the ball."

SQUASH RACKETS Harris suffers problems with brave qualifier

Del Harris, the British champion, survived the robust chall-enge of Adam Schreiber, of Australia, in yesterday's first round of the Austrian Open, but Paul Carter, the previous national title-holder, was simply brushed aside by Rodney Eyles, another of the challenging Australian group now travelling the European circuit. Harris won 15-12, 5-15, 9-15, 15-9, 15-9, in 52 minutes, after looking an almost certain loser at 1-3 in the fourth game. Schreiber has become a worry ing qualifier in recent tour-naments, and his athletic assault

AIRC SIZITECO HOGILING LINE DO CALL."

FIRST ROUNDS: D. Herris (Eng) bt A Schreuber (Aue), 15-12, 5-15, 9-15, 15-8, 15-9; C. Robertson (A) bt S. Hallenone (Scot), 16-17, 5-15, 15-12, 15-0, 15-9; Limar Hayel (Khan (Pek) bt A Hill (Aus), 15-12, 15-7, 15-4; R. Eyies (Aus) bt P Carter (Erg), 15-9, 15-9, 15-11.

Countrylong Rasels (England unless stered): M Course bt D Meddings, 7-15, 17-16, 15-8, 15-3; S Vocetti (Austria) bt R Scheifter (Neth), 13-15, 15-12, 16-18, 15-5; A Schreiber (Aus) bt M Robberds (Aus), 13-15, 5-15, 15-5, 15-11, 15-8; P Carter bt S Parks, 9-15, 15-12, 11-15, 15-10, 15-13, 14-15, 15-10, 15-6; A Adarrage (Sci) bt C Kerth (Scot), 17-15, 12-15, 15-10, 15-11; A Hill (Aus) tt T Heibb (Park), 15-10, 15-8, 5-15, 15-12, J Nicolie bt 8 Newton (Aus), 11-15, 15-14, 15-11, 15-13, 2-15.

Smith's comeback victory

By Gordon Allan Gill Smith made an astonishing comeback to win the English women's indoor singles championship at Luton yesterday Gill, who plays for the Bentham club near Gloucester, beat Sally Franklin, of Wisbech, 21-18 after trailing 0-10 and 2-15.
Franklin was also runner up shortened the jack and began to Franklin had a full house of

Frankim had a full house of four shots on the ninth end, but won only two of the remaining 15. Such was Smith's growing confidence by now that, as victory approached, she was able to bowl accurately to the long jacks which had bafiled her at the start.

There were sterling recoveries too in both semi-finals. Smith. Franklin was also runner-up in 1985 when she lost to Mary Price, but this is the first year that Smith has played in the

national championships.

Line and length eluded her completely early on. When at last seven ends 2,2,1,3,3,2,1 to beat Mary last she won an end, she Watson of Dartford.

WORLD STUDENT GAMES

Dispute over contract

The troubled 1991 World Student Games was at the centre of a dispute yesterday over the contract worth more than £1 million to supply the results and information service for the information service for the event, which will be the biggest multi-sports competition staged in Britain since the 1948 Olym-

A spokesman for the Games said that the contract had gone in Britain since the 1948 Olympic Games.
Unisys, which provided the information service for the 1990
Commonwealth Games in Auckland, said it had been told lest blowen has that it had been

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Franklin's match with Nova Edwards, of Taunton, stretched to 30 ends. At one stage Frank-lin was becalmed on 20, needing lin was becalmed on 20, needing one shot for visc or victory.

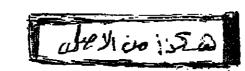
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YACHTING

Speed record likely to stand The shallow canal at Les Saintea Maries de Mer, in the Camargue, on which Pascal Maka last week pushed the absolute record for speed under sail to within a whisker of 50 miles an hour (49.22mph to be precise), is no ordinary inland waterway (Makodim McKeag writes), it is one of two such canals in France set up for the purpose of breaking sailing speed records.

The canal opens for business in February and closes with a in February and closes with a formal speed regatta in April. Maka's record has still to be raiffed by the World Sailing

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Normal relations resume after Jackman affair

Cricket Correspondent Georgetown, Guyana

An entire generation of England players has missed the variable charms of Georgetown, and today, when the fourth one-day international of this tour is staged at Bourda, only Graham Gooch will truly be able to appreciate

Gooch, alone among these England players was here in 1981, when the arrest and deportation of Robin Jackman, accompanied by the righteously ontraged depar-ture of the entire squad, formed one of sport's most infamous international incidents and convinced all of us in a tense travelling entourage

Nine years on, they are January's momentous Inter-national Cricket Council amnesty on those with past South African links, an agreement which ostensibly meant there could never again be a fiasco on the lines of the Jackman

To be effective, however, rubber-stamped by the diverse and scattered Caribbean governments and there was no good reason to be confident that Guyana, a communist country with intense feelings regarding South Africa, would concede such fundamental principles.

A visit here last year, while the Indians were touring, convinced me that, against all odds, it would happen. And so, 16 years after last playing in this alluringly green yet dangerously destitute city, England landed at Georgetown on Monday to repair fractured relations with one of the world's most unusual

Bourda is wooden, its constructions sure to excite the safety officers of fire conscious Britain and its history littered with the riots and troubles which tell of a volatile, mixed race community.

internationals at Murrayfield

years of spousorship from the Royal Bank of Scotland (Alan

The new deal will bring the

bank's total investment in

Scottish rugby over the 12

years between 1982 and 1994

This will be the fourth

period of sponsorship by the

bank, although officials de-

clined to say what the latest

Lorimer writes).

Georgetown teams WEST INDIES (probable); IVA Richards (captain), C.G. Greenidge, D.L. Heynes, R.B. Richardson, C.L. Hooper, C.A. Best, P.J. Dujon, E.A. Moseley, E.A. E. Baptiste, I.R. Bishop, C.A. Walsh.
ENGLAND (probable): G. A. Gooch (captain), W.Larldne, R.A. Smith, A.J. Lamb, A.J. Stewert, D.J. Capel, R.C. Russell, P.A.J. DePreitias, E.E. Hermings, G.C. Small,

It is also notorious for bad weather. Rain has washed away the season here, preventing play in any of Guyana's home fixtures, and, back in 1981, it rained so relentlessly that the politically sabotaged Test match would probably never have started anyway.

The scheduled four-day game, against Guyana, had already been abandoned without a ball being bowled when that England could never Jackman arrived as a replacement for the injured Bob Willis, His links with South back, entirely thanks to last Africa were well known, largely through his having a wife from the Republic, but they were in fact no stronger than those of several other players in the party.

Quite why Jackman was singled out remains a mystery but, after two days of ominous rumours, the deportation the accord needed to be order was served on him as

More cricket, page 42

England arrived back in Georgetown from the only day's cricket they did complete - a limited-overs international in the jungle country

It had been the tour's longest day, buses leaving Georgetown at 4am and arriving back just before midnight. Jackman, haggard, was put under house arrest and the tant situation called for the Foreign Office diplomacy of A C Smith, who happened to be tour manager. "Don't worry," he told his transparently worried party. "I've alerted the Navy to get us out. They've got a gunboat nearby."

Thankfully, such melodramatics were not needed. After 18 hours of fruitless negotiations, the party, under armed guard, was driven to

estimated to be not far short of

the build-up to the Scotland v

England match was clearly

Although the spousorship

period will cover the World

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matches will be Royal Bank

internationals. Nevertheless.

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it is expected that the spoo

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Scotland's home rugby union deal was worth. However, it is

are to receive a further four £1 million. The timing of the years of sponsorship from the aumouncement to coincide with

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the airport, where players openly cheered as their flight

That same airport, an hour out of town, seemed an altogether less hostile place on Monday, when the 1990 squad arrived after an exhausting and absurdly complicated 24 hour journey from Jamaica. There were smiles of genuine welcome for the locals do love cricket and, despite the past, they quite like the English.

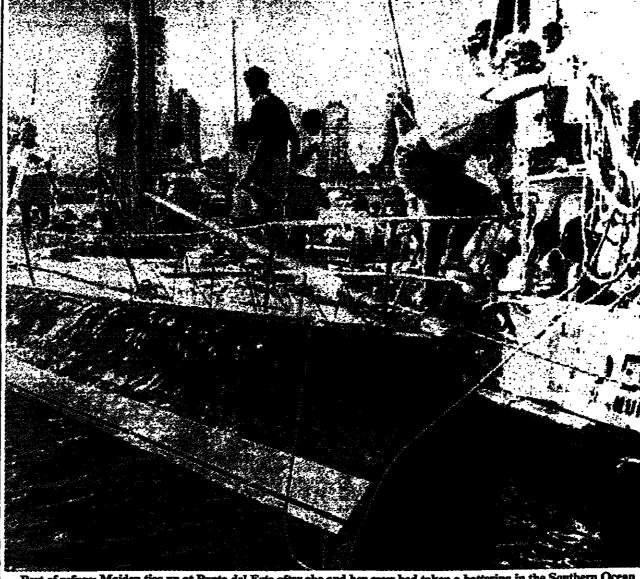
In the usual way of things within the fitness regime that Gooch and Micky Stewart have imposed, the players barely had time to unpack before being driven through a punishing training routine on one of the many sports grounds which decorate the city's wide avenues, with their inctive central canals.

On Monday night the players met the president of the country, Desmond Hoyte, an official welcome from on high, If 1981 can ever be entirely forgotten by those who were here, it has plainly been forgiven on both sides, to cricket's undoubted benefit.

Today, trailing 1-0 in the series with two to play, England must hope Larkins shakes off a throat infection in time to play on a pitch which looks the traditional Bourda batting paradise. The West Indies, lacking Marshall, who broke a finger in his left-hand in last Saturday's one-day international, have sum-moned a semi-fit Ambrose, who has been troubled by haemorrhoids, with Saturday's second Test in mind.

But for today they are content to rely on the lesser pace of Baptiste and Moseley behind their strike bowlers, Bishop and Walsh. Greenidge will play if he wakes up this morning with no recurrence of

The weather forecast is almost worryingly good. England's return to Georgetown will be an undoubted occasion, hope-fully unblemished by troubles,



Port of refuge: Maiden ties up at Pouta del Este after she and her crew had taken a battering in the Southern Ocean

Maiden voyage of misery

Punta del Este, Uruguay

Tracy Edwards and her beiered female crew in the Whitbread Round the World Race drifted into Punta del Este yesterday, battered but unbowed by their experiences in the Southern Ocean. "It's been the worst four weeks of my life," Edwards said. "If we had been at sea for another day, I think we would all have gone mad. We either had light winds from astern or 40-50 knots on the nose which Maiden [their yacht] hates and we detest even more."

To cap this miserable voy-All 18,000 seats will be full. age, Edwards and her crew have had their 16-hour overall lead overturned by Patrick Tabarly's rival division three French yacht, L'Esprit de Liberté. "It's disappointing

there is no reason why we shouldn't do it again," Edwards said.

Maiden's first problems came six days from Cape Horn when a wave, cresting at the height of their spreaders swamped the boat and left Michele Paret, who was steering at the time, with a badly injured back. "We dragged her below and Claire Russell, our doctor, made her rest for the remainder of the voyage," Edwards said. Water rushed through the

open hatches, swamping the acht's generator. To add to the problems, the boat developed a serious leak after rounding the Horn."We were taking in more than 50 gallons an hour at one point," Edwards said. "The water was above the floorboards and up but we've overcome a 17-hour to the second set of bunks arrived here late yesterday,

The crew hove-to off the Falklands for five hours to bail out the boat, but despite a close inspection of the yacht's welded plating and sea cocks, they never found the cause.

"It was only later, when we were on the other tack, that the leak stopped," Edwards said. There were also prob-lems with the mast after screws holding stiffening plates, which were added to the spar in Australia, vibrated

Maiden finished third in her class, 32 hours behind L'Esprit de Liberté and 12 hours astern of Schlussel von Bremen. After four legs, she trails L'Esprit by 16 hours 35

Andrew Coghill, skipper of the second-placed British cruiser, With Integrity, which England and has asked the yacht's owners to find a replacement skipper to lead the crew on the next leg of the race to Fort Lauderdale, which starts on February 17.

Flight Lieutenant John Best has resigned from the joint Forces entry, Satquote British Defender. His role as watch leader will be taken by the skipper, Colin Watkins, and Lieutenant Mike Broughton steps aboard for the remaining egs as navigator.

Malie, Fr), 30:15:21. Cruiser divisions: 1, Creightons Naturally (J Chittenden, GB), 26:16:10; 2, With Integrity (A Coghili, GB), 29:21:14. Overall (after four legs): Division 2: 1, L'Espirt de Liberth, 115:12-56: 2, Maiden, 116:05:32: 3, Schussel von Brumen, 117:10:48; 4, La Poste, 128:02:17. Cruiser division: 1, Creightons Naturally, 116:14:07; 2, With Integrity, 117:21:35.

Sabbatical

break for **Fouroux**

By David Hands

Though he will go to Australia to observe the French rugby tour this summer, Jacques Fouroux is to take a six-month sabbatical from the game. The much-criticized French coach. whose team relinquished its hold on the five nations' championship this season is to take a break but will be back at the helm in the build-up to the 1991 World Cup.

Albert Ferrasse, the French federation president, whose word is law in his country's rugby circles, said in an interview with Midi-Olympique: "Fouroux retains my confidence. Nothing has changed. In the tournament we won two matches out of four - it was not a bad season. Getting the wooden spoon - that's a bad

In Australia, where they will play three internationals, France will be coached by Daniel Dubroca, the former Agen prop, and Jean-Pierre Romeu, who played outside Fouroux at stand-off half and will doubtless keep him in

touch during the tour. Fouroux said: "I decided to take a sabbatical to clear my head, recover properly and concentrate better on the

Serge Blanco, the Biarritz full back who limped out of the France-Ireland game last weekend with a damaged caif, is unlikely to play for a month.

Murphy ready to answer Leigh's call

Alex Murphy is expected to return today for yet another spell as manager-coach at rugby league club, Leigh, as the club tries to avoid a return to the second division (Keith Macklin writes).

Murphy, who led Leigh to a Wembley triumph and then to the first division championships in previous spells, was ready last night to accept an invitation to take over from Billy Benyon, who has been

Murphy said yesterday: "I have not made any approaches to Leigh and I did not put in a bid for the post. I was approached by a Leigh representative who asked if I was interested in going back to Hilton Park, and I said I would take the job if they went

END COLUMN A doctor probes urge to compete

wait for a men's singles cha pion at Wimbledon, a = pion at Wimbledon, a new book on the psychology at port" criticizes the competgive and coaching structure of Dr Don Davies, an acade

vhose research work is based

Whit west

on interviewing 170 young players, said yesterday that the approach to training and competition in Britain his been haphaxard, narrow and manifestly failed to meet the needs of most young players. Dr Davies, a former mive sity examiner for the Backeler of Education degree in physical education, has a particular interest in tennis because he is Park Club in Malvern, the county centre for the spect. However, much of his week has general application for

He said that repeated expeathlete to become accu to that stress and help him learn how to cope with it m

When you exceed tolerance level

"However, should the ath lere's tolerance level be greatly exceeded, then the exp will almost certainly counter-productive, ami rise to emotional prei negative attitudes and less of confidence," he said.

"None the less, there is an almost compulsive obse in some sports with the inportance of continual comitive play to the peglect other important considerations, such as practice, the acquisition of skill and the emotional health of individual."

He pointed out that British tennis players have good off on most cases failed to get become the qualifying rounds of the big tournaments for they have entered.

However, despite alreads effect on morale, the notion has persisted that as a result of extensive tours players will become tough, seasoned campaigners much in the same way as troops do in war, or at

emphasis on competition means that far too much importance has been attached to the winning of tournaments and matches, with the result that young players have gen-erally been concerned about winning particular age level competitions and have reelected to develop the power and sophistication of stroke to be able to compete successfully at international level.

But this policy has produced a large number of compact, efficient, "match-tight" players whose skill has faller below that of world class.

Dr Davies quoted the example of the aspiring concert pinnist or prospective cham-pions in golf and snooker who spend many hours each day is practising and developing their skills and not going all over the country to comp

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Why you must not be too concerned

"So the message for any ambitious young players can be sammed up in one work practice," he said. "Try not in be too concerned if you are not winning very much at junior level. Although rather poor results can be depressing, the player must take the long term view and continue to cocentrate on developing some really powerful strokes.

"Once he has control of these and confidence in these, progress is likely to be swift." Dr Davies accepted that the problems have been caused partly by the lack of inde facilities, which remain well behind other countries despite the developing of the Indoor Tennis Initiative, and also the low status of tennis in schools. Only recently has the Laws Tennis Association begun to

give coaching courses a wider basis. Too often coaching groups have been too large and the sessions too infrequent. He said that in the Park

coaching rarely extended be youd the actual session in embrace concern such as attitude, motivation and the elopment of step psychological skills w oncentration and confidence.

However, it may take the and a lot more work see facilities before British touris makes a consistent impact at international level.

Psychological Factors Competitive Sport, by Dr Des Davies (Falmer Press, £18.95 through the proper procedures | hardback, £7.95 paperback)

Nottingham rest key players have heard nothing to indicate much easier at the top of the management of Geoff Cooke that Teague, the No. 8, will first division, where they are and Roger Uttley will breath a

ing game in the five nations' rugby union championship, between Scotland and England on March 17, has affected this weekend's league programme in England in a variety of ways: Bath, the league champions who provide four players to England's cause and one to Scotland's will take their strongest XV to Nottingham, who have decided to rest their two England

defeat by Scotland last week-

Brabham to

compete in

Formula One

The Brabham Formula One

motor racing team will, after

all, compete in all the 16

rounds of the world champ-

ionship series (a Special

Three race cars and support

equipment left Heathrow yes-

terday afternoon and the 20-

strong race group was hastily

organized on a plane from Gatwick bound for Phoenix.

Modena and Gregor Foitek

will be ready on Friday for the

first day of practise and

qualifying for the United

States Grand Prix, which takes

The Brabham participation

means that the Footwork Ar-

rows team, which had its eye

on Modena as stand-in for the

injured Alex Caffi, must look

eslewhere. Bernd Schneider,

the young German driver, seems to be Brabham's No. 1

place on Sunday.

This ensures that Stefano

Correspondent writes).

day night during the Welsh selecte counties final, when Brecon-

games over the next four the two England flankers, will play for Harlequins at Glouc-JERMYN STREET QUALITY at a wedding and Carling, England's captain, has asked DIRECT TO YOU BY POST not to be considered for the AT AFFORDABLE PRICES

internationals and their Scotthem on Saturday."

Skinner and Winterbottom. ester but Ackford, the lock. is game. Gloucester, who did not choose their team until after last night's second XV match.

Jeremy Pugh, the Neath prop, diagnosis is," he said. David who won his third cap in the Evans, the Cardiff stand-off

end, will miss Welsh squad ments against Scotland, will training today (David Hands also miss training, though he

writes). Pugh was carried off hopes to be fit to play against the field at Maesteg on Mon-Ireland on March 24, if

shire beat Glamorgan 17-11. was called into today's squad

Pugh damaged his left knee as cover for Evans. Huw and is to see a specialist. "It's Williams-Jones, of South

extremely painful and I'll just Wales Police, may be consid-

have to wait and see what the ered in the front row.

The clash of the national interest with the parochial interest of the clubs - not to mention those of league and club sponsors - vill probably remain incapable of solution. England, it must be said, do not find themselves chasing a grand slam every season and Ken Thomas, the Nottingham team manager, said: "The players are bound to have the international on their minds and we felt it's only fair to rest

Hodgkinson, the Notting-ham full back, has a strained knee ligament anyway, while Moore, their hooker, and Gray, the club captain and Scotland lock, get the chance of a break. That should make the task of Bath, who include Halliday, Guscott, Hill, Saracens at Kingsholm. Cer-Egerton and Cronin, that tainly the national team

half, who injured neck liga-

Aled Williams, of Bridgend,

one point clear of Gloucester. sigh of relief if all their sour Whether it infringes in any way the competition rule

which requires clubs to field their "bona fide first XV" in all league fixtures is a moot point, since only individual clubs can determine what, on any given Saturday, is their best XV. It is also arguable about the extent to which the competition as a whole is devalued since it is the clubs with the strongest squads which are more likely to emerge successful in a league

Nevertheless there must be some sympathy for Gloucester, who head the chasing group: they inflicted Bath's only league defeat this season but slipped up by conceding a point in the drawn match with

on Saturday night, while Scotland's selectors will be similarly pleased to see their English-based second row not to mention their home players, since it is a league weekend in Scotland, too. Carling, whose club is joint third in the first division

players turn up fit for training

behind Bath and Gloucester, said: "Because of my involvement in the Scotland game I do not believe I could give 'Quins the kind of performance that is necessary. - Few in recent times have put more into the task of

captaining England than Car-ling, though that may not always be readily appreciated by those who play club rugby week after week and then find themselves pushed to one side when leading players return.

video and I still maintain that

ball." Moseley said.

was genuinely going for the

The former Pontypool cap-

Moseley said abusive tele-

mined to regain his place.

tain said: "It was bad enough

Pugh is forced to miss Moseley lashes out at training by knee injury referee over dismissal over and over again on my

Kevin Moseley, the Wales and Pontypool lock who was sent off for stamping during the five nations' championship match against France, has criticized Fred Howard, the referee who dismissed him. and the championship's disciplinary committee, which punished him with a 32-week suspension.

the referee for sending me off. I have replayed the incident

being dismissed, but it was a real stunner when I found out

I had no right of appeal against the ban." phone calls he has received. have made him more deter-

"I will never, ever forgive



players in North Wales in aid of the Towyn flood appeal. The Widnes secretary, John Stringer said: "The idea is to play half the match under league rules and half under union regulations."

US squad Andre Agassi, Brad Gilbert, Rick Leach and Jim Pugh will form the US Davis Cup team for the match against Czechoslovakia from March 30 to

Course change The £200,000 Tenerife Open from March 15-18, will be registration for first-class held at the Amarilla chib.



The former England left-arm

Sevens boost

The Rosslyn Park National Schools Sevens will receive £50,000 in sponsorship from Shell UK over the next three years to help with the growing cost of running a tournament for which entries have increased by 10 per cent this year to around 300. Eton will be competing for the first

Hutchings fit

Tun Hutchings, runner-up for the world title in Stavanger last year, will compete in the McVitie's world cross-country trials in Glasgow on Sunday, having recovered from a virus infection.

Groove on

The LGU has decided not the follow the R and A lead and will allow professionals to use iron clubs with the controversial square grooves in the Weetabix British Open at Woburn from August 2 to 5.

SPORT IN BRIEF

A step down

bowler John Lever, aged 41, whose Essex testimonial raised £135,596 last year, has agreed to play for Cambridge-shire in the Minor Counties championship next summer. Essex have retained his cricket.